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WEATHER FORECAST

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Barometer 30.13

February 28, 1914. Temperature 6 a.m. 59. 2 p.m. 60. Humidity 94. 96

February 27, 1913. Temperature 6 a.m. 52. 2 p.m. 57. Humidity 82. 69.

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## TELEGRAMS.

### LEITH ELECTION. HISTORIC VICTORY.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. The election of a Conservative for the first time in the history of Leith, is most surprising, as the Liberal nominee was a strong one, being the Provost. The great increase in the Labour vote was totally unexpected.

The result of the polling was announced too late to be dealt with in the editorials of the morning papers.

The Morning Post, in a brief addendum, says a contributory cause of the result was the departure of Labour leaders in South Africa, which was doing infinite harm among the workers. The journal adds: "The contest at Leith is only the beginning of a controversy which was required with the gravest forebodings."

The result was vociferously cheered by the Unionists in the House of Commons.

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at question time, referred to the gibe of the Opposition by saying that "compared with 1900 we have a majority of 3,000 for Home Rule and Land Reforms."

### "Notice to Quit."

Mr. Currie, when interviewed, said "It is Scotland's notice to quit." The election, he declared, was fought chiefly on the question of Home Rule.

Mr. Smith admitted that the result was disappointing, and that it was in the nature of a calamity.

Mr. Bonar Law has telegraphed to Mr. Currie: "The victory will appear as the crowning mercy to the Loyalists of Ireland."

## CABLES AND WIRELESS.

### Secretary and Speed of the Two Systems.

The subject of communication by means of cables and by wireless occupied the attention of the Dominion Royal Commission during the greater part of its sitting at Westminster, on January 21, under the chairmanship of Sir Edgar Vincent.

Evidence on the subject was given by Mr. F. C. Crawford, of the submarine cable-laying department at Silvertown, and Mr. Rollo Appleyard, of the submarine cable manufacturing department at the same establishment.

Mr. Crawford stated that the general effect of developments in submarine cable telegraphy during recent years was that the speed of transmitting messages had been increased by 50 per cent. or more, and greater accuracy in transmission had been secured. The cost of a modern Atlantic cable giving a working speed of about 40 words per minute was generally taken to be about £500,000, but it would depend upon the fluctuating cost of materials.

Mr. Appleyard said he saw no prospect of the charges for cabling, based upon the cost of constructing cables, becoming less; the tendency of the prices of the materials used in cable construction was to rise. During the last years the price of gutta-percha, unlike that of rubber, had not fallen. This he attributed to the great demand which there was for cables. Germany, in pursuit of her Imperial policy, was extending her cables round the West Coast of Africa, to Brazil, and elsewhere, to complete the German Imperial service. Notwithstanding the advent of wireless telegraphy the cable business was in a state of very great activity. Indeed, it had gone ahead faster than before.

## TELEGRAMS.

### INVESTMENT MARKET. A REACTION REPORTED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 28. Gilt-edged securities have reacted, on the imminent issue of £5,000,000 worth of Canadian Government 4 per cent. stock, at 90.

## TELEGRAMS.

### MEXICAN UNREST. NO PARALLEL TO BOXER TROUBLES.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. Reuter's Washington correspondent says President Wilson, questioned regarding the rumour that President Huerta had refused to allow an American Legation guard to be sent to Mexico City, said he would send an American Admiral, and that he did not think the despatch of Marines necessary. The President added that he was unable to see any parallel in the present conditions in Mexico to the Boxer troubles in China. He was of opinion that no armed force could be landed in Mexico under International Law without provoking war, unless the Mexican authorities consented.

Sir H. Rider Haggard.—Is it possible that a time will come when wireless telegraphy will outpace submarine cabling?—Whatever advantage may be obtained from the Oring relay, or instruments of that type, will be applicable to wireless telegraphy as well as to cables, and, therefore, we must suppose that wireless telegraphy will increase in speed; but, personally, I see no probability of wire less telegraphy ever attaining the same degree of trustworthiness, secrecy, or speed as submarine cables offer. He had no fear of the competition of wireless telegraphy with the cables; indeed, he looked upon wireless telegraphy as a friend, just as the telephone had been a friend to the telegraph.

## TELEGRAMS.

### TO-NIGHT'S BOXING.

Will Kerrison Beat Wilkinson?

Local boxing enthusiasts in discussing the prospects of the boxers billed to show at the City Hall to-night, devote themselves mostly to the Kerrison-Wilkinson fight and the Smith-Perkins go, with a slight preference for the former. That preference, however, in no way indicates that that it will be the better fight. As a matter of fact, the Smith and Perkins item will in all probability eclipse it alike for speed, art and general satisfaction, that is, of course, if Smith is going to reproduce some of his old dash. The Wilkinson-Kerrison fight is causing much discussion because it is believed that Sky will on this occasion adopt very different tactics from heretofore, and such a change, if it be truly proposed, is decidedly essential if Sky is to secure the verdict. Kerrison is unfortunate in as much as he puts up good fights but often fails just to get there in the opinion of the referee. This, no doubt, is often the result of endeavouring to make boxing a parlour game and the sooner Sky realises this the better it will be for his reputation, and all the more pleasant for those who are anxious to see the local man in the ring. Sky is a good man, but, rather too lenient. Wilkinson is a man devoid of style in

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### NATIONAL SERVICE. PREMIER UNSYMPATHETIC.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 28. Mr. Asquith has received an important non-party deputation advocating National Service. The deputation was headed by Earl Roberts, General Sir Evelyn Wood and also representatives of the Navy, the Territorial Army, the Church and the professions. Mr. Asquith emphasised the point that an important sub-committee of the Imperial Defence Committee was considering the whole question and had practically come to a unanimous decision, which would show that the Navy was as capable as ever it had been for protecting the country from invasion. He affirmed that the Territorials had shown a vast improvement on the Volunteers, but they might require more encouragement in some respects. He considered, looking at the present condition of the Navy and the Army, that the deputation's apprehensions were groundless, and he did not favour compulsory service.

the boxing sense. He can punch, it is true, but that is expected somewhat of a boxer whatever class he happens to be in. He has yet to prove that he can take punishment, and further take it philosophically. It was noticeable in his last encounter in this Colony, that immediately he was hit, he was indiscreet enough to allow it to affect his temper and therefore to put an undesirable complexion on whatever he did in return.

Mr. Forbes and Sesman Simmonds are to entertain an amateur, and there is plenty of interest attached to this bout. Motherway and Wharton are billed to meet, and here we would like to have a line to go on before committing ourselves to any opinion as to the individual prospects of these men.

There is a good programme, which is advertised to be opened with a battle royal, and we cannot see any reason why it should not be a success.

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### THE MEXICAN MURDER. BOBY TO BE EXAMINED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 28. A United States official left today for Chihuahua, to make arrangements for an examination of Mr. Benton's body. General Villa has agreed to an examination of the body by two Americans and two British representatives and a doctor, and he provides a special train for these.

## TELEGRAMS.

### IRRIGATION. SUCCESS IN AUSTRALIA.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 28. Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that irrigation has shown splendid results at Murrumbidgee, where there has been no rain for six months, yet the crops are good, while the fruit is excellent. Dairying is also successful.

## TELEGRAMS.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong 1st March 1914. First Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion 8.05 a.m. Matins. 11 a.m. Full Choir. Responses. Ferial: Venite. Golden: Psalms Wesley Hopkins, Monk and Hopkins; Benedictus, Ward in D; Benedictus, Turle (Pentecost); Anthem: "O Saviour of the world."—Goss. Holy Communion, 11.45 a.m. Kyrie, Marbecke in F; Hymns: 84 and 92. Evensong (4.45 p.m.). Responses. Ferial: Psalms, of the 1st evening; Magnificat Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Turle (8th morning); Hymns, 249, 183, and 355 (tune 556). Miscere, Felton (10th morning).

First Church of Christ and Saints MacDonnell Road. Sunday, 11.15 a.m.; Wednesday, 5.30 p.m. Union Church, Kennedy Road. Sunday, March 1st. Morning Service at 10.30 a.m. Hymns, 381, 443, 495, and 297; Communion at 11.30 a.m. Evening Service at 8 p.m. Hymns, 373, 284, 197 and 269. Preacher, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

## TELEGRAMS.

### ONE MORE CRAZE. Go-To-Bed-To-Morrow Fashion.

If you have not yet been interested in the Tango, or fallen a victim to the revue and rag-time, there is still time to be fashionable. It is a very simple matter. The latest craze is not to go to bed to-night, but to wait until to-morrow.

This secret, which a certain section of society is cherishing just now, was discovered by a newspaper representative after several hours of laborious effort in the West End. Mr. G. B. Sims helped him very considerably by indicating the trend of things, and Mr. F. H. Payne, who controls the destinies of the Lotus Club, finally placed the matter beyond doubt.

Yes, if you want to do the right thing you must not go to bed to-night. You may have dinner at the ordinary hour, but you must wait until to-morrow for supper and bed. Otherwise you might just as well go to a restaurant like the Savoy or the Carlton, where you have to eat to-night.

The right thing to do is to put your name down—having obtained a proper introduction—for membership at one of the supper clubs. You may by means of an extensive circle of acquaintances be a guest for about a fortnight, but after that if you still wish to go to bed to-morrow you must become a member somewhere.

## TELEGRAMS.

### MISSIONARY ARRESTED. FOREIGN OFFICE ADVISED.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. The Baptist Missionary Society has notified the Foreign Office of the arrest of the Rev. Mr. Bowditch, in the Portuguese Congo, in connection with recruiting of natives for San Thome and Principe. The Foreign Office is communicating with the Portuguese Government.

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### PORTUGUESE STRIKE. MANY OUTRAGES.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. A renewal of the recent railway strike in Portugal has been attended by many outrages. Several goods trains have been derailed, two by means of dynamite. Communication with Spain has been greatly delayed, the telegraph wires having been out.

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### Dancing Between Courses.

Your friends won't stand you any longer, you will then have the privilege of becoming host to someone else. Indeed, you will find you know many more people than you thought you did.

All this the reporter discovered, and also that the new craze of not going to bed to-night is very fascinating. You get a very good supper, invented by a great chef, and between courses you may dance a few steps of the Tango, or watch others do it, as you please. Some expert people are even attempting the Maxine (pronounced Mashcoah), but not many. Whatever you do, time passes pleasantly enough, and between two and four o'clock to-morrow morning you may go home to bed and consider yourself very fashionable. If you work for your living you get up again the same day.

At the moment there are less than half a dozen clubs in town where one can be really fashionable. They will probably be numbered by the score before the end of the season. In sheer self-defence hotels and restaurants will be forced to promote a Night Saving Bill.

So, having found this new whim, the reporter set himself to recall some of those little passing weaknesses with which those of another generation beguiled their hours from time to time.

In a big bow-window of a club in St. James Street he found some one who, with a smile of gentle tolerance, told him of the past. The clubman was not even a grandfather, and he is very close to scratch in his handicap at his golf club.

### "Nuts" of the Past.

He thought for a moment. "Yes, yes," he laughed, "I have been through some of these crazes. I was, for instance, a member of the 'Crutch and Toothpick' brigade, who thirty years ago were the ancestors of nut of to-day. We had our reign, and as a souvenir of it I have in the umbrella stand my crutch-stick to-day. There was the Japanese period, when everyone affected a huge Japanese umbrella as an ornament in one's room; there was also the never-to-be-forgotten 'greenery-gallery' period of William Morris era, and the blue China craze.

"If you want a dance craze the introduction of the polka and the waltz were greeted with a terrible outburst. They were

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### NATURALISATION. A BRITISH PROPOSAL.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. It is understood that a Bill to promote uniformity of naturalisation of all subjects in the British Empire has been drafted by the Government. It is hoped to pass the measure this Session.

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### HOME POLITICS. A UNIONIST MOVE.

(Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph.")

London, Received February 27. The Unionist leaders have decided to move a vote of censure on the Government on the 3rd prox., for refusing to announce the suggested amendments to the Home Rule Bill.

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deemed indelicate, and, in the case of the polka, it was boisterous in the extreme, and not fit for any well-conducted girl to dance.

To-day, I suppose, the polka is never seen, and the waltz, as we know it, is hopelessly out of date. The latest fads up to the time of the Tango were ping-pong, roller skating and discolo. They are all more or less dead, aren't they?"

The clubman leaned back in his chair and laughed softly to himself. "Come and see me after Oowes week," he said, "I shall be in town for a few days before going to Scotland, and I'll talk to you about the next craze. It's bound to have come by then."

## TELEGRAMS.

### RACING STORY. One Good Turn Deserves Another.

They are telling a story about a disheartened looking fellow who stood idly on the footpath of a certain street looking such a picture of misery that the good-natured lady of the house opposite was moved to compassion; says the Sporting Chronicle. She rang for her maid, and writing on a slip of paper the cheering words, "Never Say Die," handed the paper along with a half-sovereign to the girl with the instruction to give it to the poor man outside. This was done, and the good lady experienced the satisfactory feeling that follows the performance of a kind action. That same night, however, the man came back. He rang the bell and asked to see the lady of the house. The maid told him her mistress could not be seen. But the man was persistent, he had some private business to transact and would not keep her a minute. The lady came down to the hall, and as she neared the object of her charity he, to her intense surprise, handed her a five-pound note, saying "Ere y're misis, it copped at nine to one—and you're the only one that backed it!" The "poor fellow" of course was a street bookmaker.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

### TELEGRAMS.

#### CONDENSED.

There is a reaction in gilt-edged securities.

Arrangements are being made for the examination of Mr. Benton's body.

A renewal of the railway strike in Portugal has resulted in many outrages.

Irrigation has shown splendid results in Australia during a rainless three months.

The election for the first time of a Conservative for Leith has created much surprise.

Mr. Asquith has replied unsympathetically to a non-party deputation urging National Service.

The unsuccessful Liberal candidate at Leith admits that the result of the bye-election is in the nature of a calamity.

President Wilson considers that no armed force can be landed in Mexico without provoking war.

The Unionists are to move a vote of censure on the Government for refusing to announce amendments to the Home Rule Bill.

### NEWS.

"1889" appears to-day on page 4.

Log book appears on page 6 of this issue.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby's weekly share report appears in this issue on page 9.

A fire broke out at 293 Queen's Road East last night. The damage is estimated at \$25,000.

### DON'T FORGET.

#### TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—8.15 p.m. Bijou Theatre—8.15 p.m.

#### Tuesday March 3.

Hongkong Horticultural Society Flower and Vegetable Show at the Public Garden. William Powell, Ltd., Extraordinary General Meeting at No. 12, Des Voeux Rd. Noon.

#### Wednesday, March 4.

Hongkong Horticultural Society Flower and Vegetable Show at the Botanic Gardens.

#### Thursday, March 5.

The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. 11.30 a.m.

#### Saturday, March 14.

Devonian Society Annual Dinner at the Hongkong Hotel. Thursday March 19 8 p.m. The China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Meeting of Shareholders. Noon.



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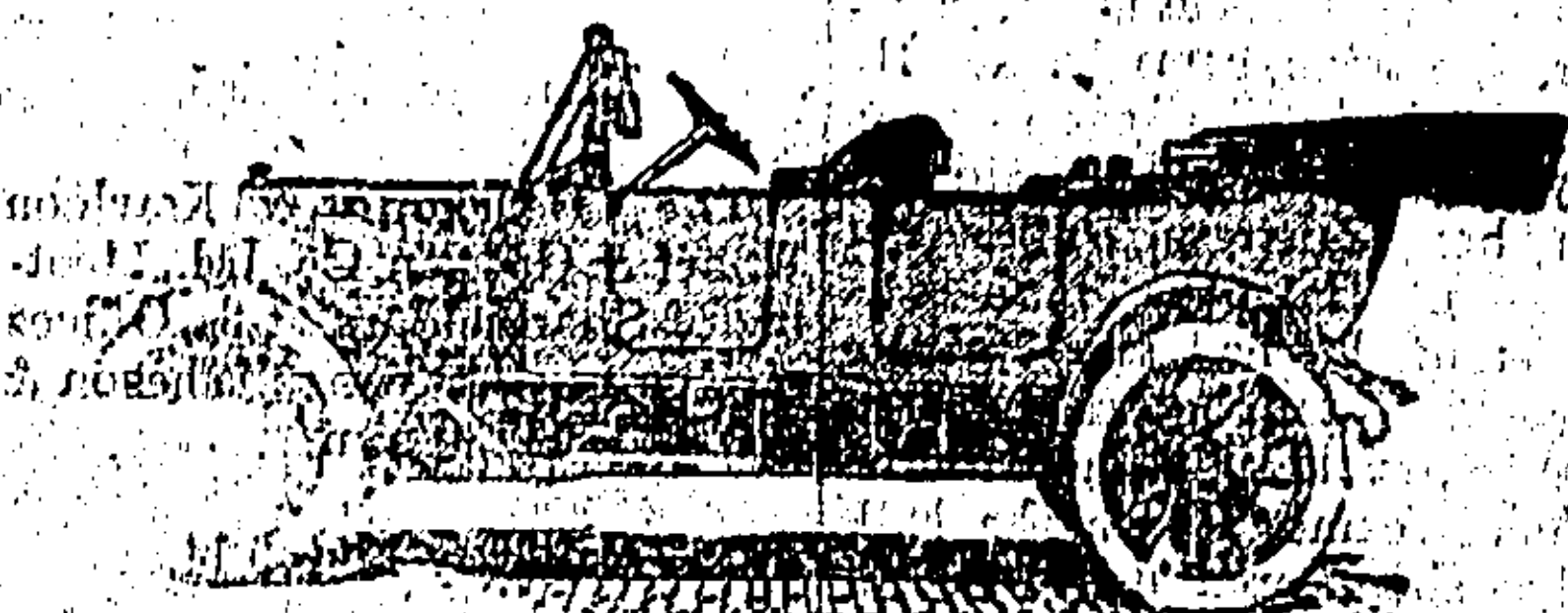
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## CONTEMPORARIES

South China Morning Post.

The Tyranny of Labour.

All shades of political opinion are at one in the aim of helping the labouring classes to improve their condition, but those who encourage them in the belief that begging the country by means of a general strike is the royal road to a workingman's paradise are their worst enemies. The cowardly and foolish abdication of power on the part of the Ministry have not passed unmarked by the labour leaders and they will undoubtedly obtain recognition for their South African brothers by the threat to withdraw their support to the Home Rule Bill and other pot measures of the Government. The present state of affairs cannot long continue, and the day is not far distant when the poor deluded working man will realize that he is but the cat which pulls the chestnuts from the political fire and will reward the present labour agitators by providing a new set for electric light standards, and incidentally encouraging the Manila hemp industry.

Daily Press.

Chinese Cabinet Changes.

The recent changes made in the Chinese Cabinet are not calculated to inspire confidence in the capacity of the Government to make any substantial progress with the great schemes of reform which have been announced. If progress is to be made it is essential that the statesmen responsible for the initiation of reforms should remain in office to work for their realisation. Unhappily, for the fifth time in twenty months, a new Cabinet has had to be formed. Hsiung Hsi-Ling, who since September last, has served both as Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, has resigned because, according to his friends, resignation, he "lacks ability and manliness," and because "the burdens are heavy and my energy is exhausted." He represents that during his administration "the financial resources of the country have not increased, the official service has not been purified, the defences of the frontier remain unstrengthened and the interior administration is still disturbed with brigandage." It is obvious, of course, that these are polite excuses for a step prompted by quite other reasons. No statesman, however able he may be, could ever hope to put China's house in order in the brief space of five months.

China Mail.

Sir Kai Ho Kai, C.M.G.

The approaching retirement of Sir Kai Ho Kai from participation in the work of the Legislative Council is a matter for much regret, particularly as it has been necessitated by failing health. Yesterday H.E. the Governor expressed, in most felicitous terms, the regret of his staff personally and that of the Council on their loss. That regret, we feel sure, is felt by all interested in the welfare of the Colony. Sir Kai Ho Kai, as Sir Kai Excellence pointed out, has been associated with the many and varied duties that fall to the lot of a member of the Council for the long period of twenty-four years, which constitutes a record of service by an unofficial member. During those years, Sir Kai Ho Kai has rendered the Council and the community valuable aid in many directions, and only those who actually participate in such work can fully realise what its conscientious fulfilment entails.

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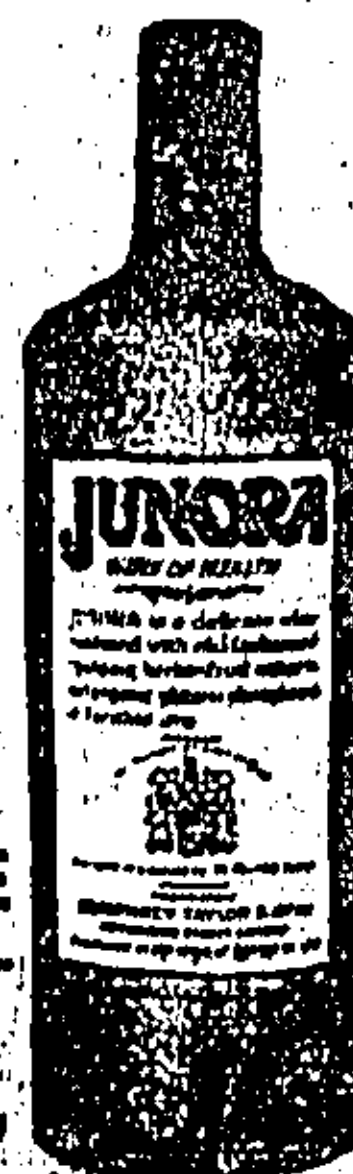
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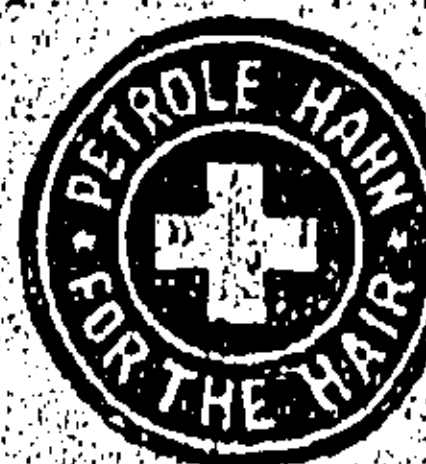
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## GENERAL NEWS.

## Sunday Shooting at Bisley.

It has been announced that the council of the National Rifle Association had decided to throw open the fine ranges at Bisley for the purposes of Sunday shooting. Such a concession had been urged upon the council for some years past at the general meetings of the members in London and at Bisley camp, and the reply that Lord Chylesmore, chairman of the council, had invariably given was that the subject was under consideration, but if it was thought that there was a real necessity for it the ranges should be thrown open. For many months past the adjoining ranges to Bisley, those belonging to the Government and Fribright, have been used for class firing on Sunday.

## Risk of Japanese Degeneracy.

According to Prebendary H.E. Fox, who gave an address on Japan at the Victoria Institute, Charing Cross, on January 19, the simple habit of life which has so long characterised the Japanese is giving place among the wealthier classes to the luxury imported from other lands. The highly developed educational system is entirely secular. Notwithstanding the rapid speed of materialism and rationalism under European and American influence the Japanese people as a whole are still a religious people, and their piety, though less intensive than ours, is genuine. But the problems which face the Japanese are many and complex, and, according to Prebendary Fox, it is the same message that once conquered Pagan Britain which alone will save Japan. English Christians, he declares, have a duty in that direction towards her political ally.

## Quick Travelling.

In response to a hurried summons to Lord Strathcona's deathbed, his Edinburgh law agent chartered a special train from the Caledonian Railway Company. The train left Princess-street Station at 12.53 p.m. and arrived in London at 8.50, the time taken for the 400-mile journey being 7 hours 52 minutes. The only stops were at Carlisle and Crawe, where the engines were changed. The first stage of the journey from Edinburgh to Carlisle, a distance of 101 miles, was covered in 103 minutes. Although the journey is a remarkable achievement, it by no means represents the record for Anglo-Scottish travel. During the second "railway race" to Scotland (between London and Aberdeen), the West Coast train (London and North Western and Caledonian Railways) covered the entire distance of 540 miles in 512 minutes, equal to an average speed of over 61 miles an hour.

## Windfall for Politicians.

The Edinburgh Court of Sessions on January 17 declared that the will of the late Miss Kippin was valid. Miss Kippin's estate was valued at £10,000, and it was bequeathed one half to Messrs. John and William Redmond and the other half to Mr. Keir Hardie for the Labour Party. The court refused to decide whether the property was left to the Messrs. Redmond for their own benefit or for that of the Nationalist Party, but the Judge remarked that it seemed to him that it had been left to the Messrs. Redmond personally.

## Swallowing Sovereigns.

From a report made to the police by an Indian jeweller in China Street, Rangoon, a Berman came to his shop and said he wished to purchase some sovereigns, and showed some currency notes. On ten sovereigns being agreed upon as the purchase the man seized them as they were put on the counter and thrusting them into his mouth, fled out of the shop. The jeweller's assistants and others gave chase and caught the fugitive after a short run, and he squeezing his throat managed to make him cough up five of the ten sovereigns. The balance not being found on his person the police theory is that he swallowed them. The accused is under guard in the hospital being closely watched and will be put under the X rays.

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## SALT GABELLE REFORM.

## Terms of Agreement Insisted Upon.

The Peking correspondent of the N. O. Daily News writes under date of February 22:—

In consequence of the delay in the promulgation of the regulations governing the Salt Advise-ship a deputation of foreign Ministers recently demanded an interview with the President with the object of insisting upon the terms of the reorganization loan agreement being effectively carried out. This emphatic step has had the desired result. The regulations have been published, and together with those relating to the Inspectorate and District Inspectorates, which were recently promulgated, entirely meet with the approval of the banks and Legations.

It is an open secret that Sir Richard Dane contemplated resigning if the question of the regulations were not satisfactorily settled. His resignation would have been a serious blow to Chinese credit, and had he been forced to retire the hope that a further loan could be arranged on the salt revenues would have vanished.

## Estimated Revenue.

For this year Sir Richard Dane estimates a net revenue of \$24,000,000, provided a Government stable policy of taxing salt at the sources of supply is pursued and the Government is able to enforce the regulations.

Sir Richard Dane points out, however, that the Government clings to the schemes of transportation and sale on Government account, although these always disastrously fail; while at various points the Salt Commissioners impede reform.

Moreover, at only two points are the collections in the hands of the District Inspectors, whilst at some points the terms of the loan agreement are openly disregarded and in nearly every District the Salt Commissioners are doing their utmost to impede reform.

This estimate does not make the prospects of another large loan particularly rosy, for, although it prophesies a considerable surplus, the indication of the spirit of obstruction is not reassuring. On the other hand, Sir Richard Dane's estimate is admittedly a conservative one, while the promulgation of the regulations will probably have a wholesome effect and lead to increased revenues.

## THE CHINA SQUADRON.

The Admiralty has issued orders for the cruiser Yarmouth, Captain H. L. Colhane, China Squadron, to be paid off at Colombo, and recommissioned there for further service with the China Squadron, to which she has been attached since April, 1912, when she was

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A week's extra leave, in addition to foreign service leave, is to be given the crew of the cruiser Hampshire on their return to England from the China Station in the cruiser Europa, in recognition of arduous service at Constantinople and Nanking.

The Admiralty have given orders for the sale of the thirty-knot destroyer Otter, at present stationed at Hongkong.

## Egypt's new Stamps.

Some interesting diplomatic questions are raised by the issue of Egypt's new stamps. For the first time the inscriptions are in English instead of French, and when it was announced last year that the change would be made the alteration was heralded in some quarters in Germany as pointing to the establishment of a British protectorate. While collectors have often desired that the stamps of Egypt should be listed in the catalogue devoted to the British Empire, the publishers are said to have refrained from the change owing to fear of possible international complications.

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## THE JAPANESE CORONATION.

The Tokyo Asahi is authority for the report that the date of the Japanese coronation has already been reported to the Treaty Powers but that, at the instructions of Premier Yamamoto, informal negotiations have been entered into with the various Governments suggesting that no members of royal families or high officials be dispatched to Japan to be present at the ceremony. Accordingly the Ambassadors and Ministers in Japan will represent their respective countries at the coronation. It is stated that Premier Yamamoto has declined to receive special envoys to Japan on the occasion, on the ground that there is no proper accommodation for them at Kyoto, where the ceremony is to be held, and also that a large sum of money would have to be spent in what, after all, is comparatively useless procedure. Rumour has it that severe criticism is now being directed against Premier Yamamoto by some people connected with the Household Department, who state that it is difficult to understand why he declines to receive foreign representatives at the grand occasion simply on the ground of financial string.

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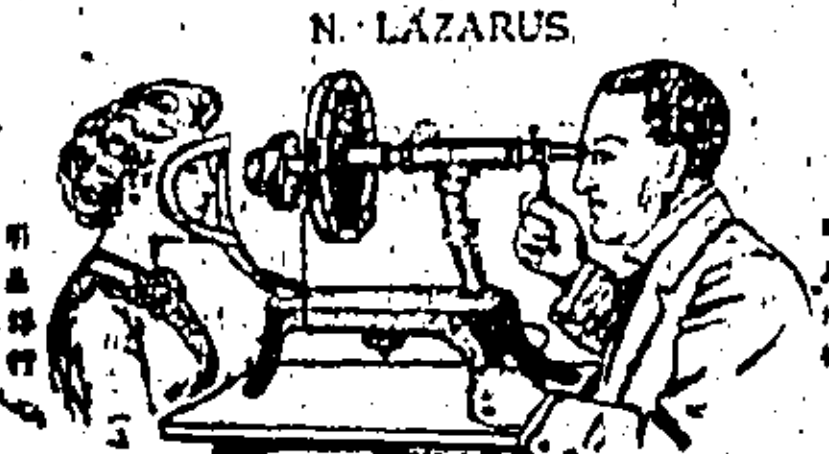
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## BIRTH.

SHELLIM.—On February 22, 1914, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Shellim, a daughter.

## DEATH.

COCHRANE.—On February 22, 1914, at 185 Haining Road, Shanghai, Hugh Boyd Cochrane, (Pilot), aged 47 years.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1914.

## THE NANTAO AFFAIR.

It is not altogether easy to arrive at something like the right bearing as regards the Nantao shooting incident. Accounts in the Northern papers do not greatly help, because they are seriously divergent as regards essentials. Evidently they come from different sources and accordingly present either a purely Chinese or a purely Japanese version of the affair. On the one hand, we are told that the Japanese who were shot were innocent bill-collectors for an inn-keeper at Hankow; on the other, it is stated that they were political agents who were plotting against the Republic. Until Admiral Teeng, who has the matter in hand, has completed his enquiries, it is impossible to say anything really definite regarding the incident itself. It would appear, however, that it was not until after the affair that the authorities learned that the men shot were Japanese, and if that can be fully proved, it materially strengthens China's case in reply to Japan.

It is to be hoped that the affair will close without bad blood being raised. If it can definitely be established that the men were actually plotters against the Government, no doubt the Japanese Government will disclaim all responsibility. Men engaged on that kind of work should do so at their own risk and can look for no help from their Government if their plans fail and they get into trouble. That, at any rate, is the reasonable attitude and is, most probably, the attitude that will be adopted. But matters will not be improved by unfortunate comments on the affair while it is still under consideration. We make one quotation from a northern paper managed by Chinese and printed in English—a paper whose word carries some weight amongst the better class of Chinese. It assumes that the two men were plotting with the rebels and therefrom draws the following conclusions:—

We observe that Japanese subjects in China are not highly regarded as before, and we often hear that they are dangerous, irrational, hot-headed, with high temperament and bad manners. They are proud, passionate and barbarous. As a race they have no conscience as is shown in the comparison of the Nanking incident and the Changchi atrocity. Their amazing impudence makes man despair of human nature, with which they demanded and obtained an exorbitant amount of indemnity and other things besides, for the killing of three barbers, but after long negotiation they have promised only to give something like ten dollars a month to each family of the Chinese police killed by the Japanese soldiers in cold blood. Neither passion nor thoughtlessness can excuse mischievous talk of this kind. It is true that friendly relations are estranged and set at each others' throats. Even though these men had been proved guilty of plotting, there is no need, and no excuse, for writing so heatedly. With the affair still subject to inquiry this kind of talk cannot too strongly be deprecated.

## The Lethal Victory.

When a Scottish Liberal strong-hold like Leith Barges turns Conservative it is self-evident that the Conservative has lost the faith of the electors. Any amount of specious argument will not dispose of that conviction. The facts are that the constituency has always been represented by a Liberal, while the retiring member had sat for it for well over a quarter of a century. To-day, however, a Conservative sits in his place. It is true that the majority was a narrow one, but a victory is a victory whether it be by one or by one thousand votes. It will, of course, be argued that a member who has sat for such a long period as the retiring member would carry a personal influence which would be most potent, but in this instance such a contention is more than counter-balanced by the fact that the Liberal candidate was no less a person than the Provost of the town, for it is generally acknowledged that a local man can hope to win where an "outsider" could not.

## Argument Answered.

Liberals will no doubt also contend that the result was brought about by the appearance of a third candidate, who polled well over 2,000 votes. But there is no evidence that these votes would, in the event of a straight fight between Liberal and Unionist, have gone to the Liberal. The very fact that a Labour nominee appeared shows that even the erstwhile friends of the Government are deserting it, and goes to prove that the whole bulk of public opinion is tired of the Asquith Ministry. If the Liberal party would face the facts it would make an appeal to the country to test the submission. By determining to hang on to office they are only making matters worse for themselves when it comes to the actual day of reckoning.

## BRITAIN'S TRADE WITH CHINA.

## Effort to Increase Commerce in the Far East.

Keen interest has been aroused in business circles by the decision of the commercial Intelligence Department of the Board of Trade to send a special commissioner to China to investigate the possibilities of extending British trade in the Far East.

At present the United Kingdom exports to China manufactured articles to the value of about twice the combined value of those sent by Germany and the United States, but the trade is mainly composed of such staple articles as cotton, and in such lines as metals and metal wares the British trade is little more than equal, to that of Germany, and distinctly less than that combined trade of our two great rivals.

It is in these "side lines" that the British firms have the greatest chance of increasing their trade, and on these the commissioner will be able to provide useful information. A similar commission is to be sent to Siberia, but in this case, subject to the consent of the Foreign Office, the inquiries will be made by our commercial attaché in St. Petersburg.

## Confession Before Trial.

The Government of India's despatch to the Secretary of State for India on "confessions before trial" has been published. It is a very lengthy document, the main features of which are that the highest judicial authorities consulted are of opinion that the recording of confession prior to trial should not be prohibited, while the police may and indeed should listen to any statements which a prisoner might make. They should be strictly forbidden to interrogate him or press him to make a statement unless the officer making the application is able to show good and satisfactory grounds for it. A prisoner who has confessed should in no circumstances be returned to police custody.

## DAY BY DAY.

THE GREAT SOURCE OF CALAMITY LIES IN REGRET OR ANTI-OPINATION.—Goldsmith.

## The Weather.

Lower levels 8 a.m. Temp. 63  
Damp.  
At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 58  
Foggy.

## The Mails.

English Mail.—Left per s.s. Assaye at 1 p.m. to-day.  
Siberian Mail.—Closed per s.s. Kanchow at 5 p.m. to-day.  
American Mail ex s.s. China.—Due per s.s. Derflinger on Monday.

## Manila Mail.

The s.s. Chinab, which arrived last evening from Manila, brought over 17 bags of mail matter.

## Extradition Case Judgment.

Judgment in the Chan Sam-nam extradition case will be delivered on Tuesday morning at 9.30 at the Supreme Court.

## Theft from H.M.S. Merlin.

A stoker from H.M.S. Merlin reports to the police that someone has stolen from the engineers' store-room on board the vessel a silver watch valued \$20.

## "Scorpion" Dance.

The "Scorpions" held another dance at the City Hall last night. There was a large attendance, and the evening was much enjoyed.

## Police Inspection.

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Police Force by His Excellency the Governor takes place at the police compound, at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday.

## Found in The Dockyard.

A Chinese who was alleged to have been found in the Naval Dockyard Kowloon, was remanded at the Police Court, this morning, on a charge of being a rogue and a vagabond.

## Flowers Stolen.

The Chinese gardener of 21, Robinson Road, has informed the police that between 9 p.m. on Thursday and 7 a.m. yesterday someone stole two plants in pots valued \$8.

## More Thieving.

A Chinese accountant of 46, Peel Street, reports to the police that in the early hours of yesterday morning someone entered his house through a trap door on the roof and stole clothing valued \$50.

## Lantern Lecture.

Mr. Wilbur Messer will deliver an illustrated lantern lecture at the European Section of the Y.M.C.A. on Monday at 6.30 p.m. Subject, "The Y.M.C.A. at Chicago." The lecture will be open to all members and friends.

## Another Ship Theft.

The Fourth Officer of the s.s. Empress of Japan has notified the police that between 5 p.m. on Thursday and 9 a.m. yesterday someone stole from the ship seven brass southings valued \$100.

**Widows and Orphans Pensions.**  
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the Honourable Mr. Charles McIlvaine Messer to be a Director of the Widows' and Orphans' Pensions, vice Mr. Richard Hayes Crofton resigned.

**Sanitary Board Secretary.**  
His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Eric William Hamilton to act as Secretary to the Sanitary Board during the absence on leave of Mr. Cyril Francis Wogan Bowen Rowlands, with effect from the 27th February, 1914.

## Architects.

His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has been pleased to direct that the following names be added to the list of his authorized architects:—Henry Thomas Jackson, Daniel Jaffe, Edgar William Carpenter and Lucide Michael Xavier.

## 1889.

HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the Week Ending February 28, 1889.

## The Magistracy.

February 23.—"The sooner there is a reorganization of the staff at the Magistracy the better. It is a matter of frequent comment there that the nondescript 'Chinamen' who control the Court are becoming daily more autocratic and insolent. They administer oaths with about as much reverence as though they were laying odds; Europeans are ordered about as brusquely as though they were coolies; if a note is sent for transmission to the sitting Magistrate it is invariably read and delayed, and from the highest to the lowest servant in the office the most sovereign disregard for convenience and courtesy are shown."

## Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

February 23.—The forty-seventh half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation is reported in the issue of this date. The Hon. Mr. J. Bell-Irving presided. In his speech the Chairman stated that they were able to pay the usual dividend of £1 10s. per share, to add to the reserve fund \$212,432.44 and to carry forward to new account \$50,874.67. He also stated that Mr. G. E. Noble had been appointed Chief Manager, and that Mr. T. Jackson would assume charge of the London branch.

## Hongkong Fire Insurance Co.

February 25.—The twentieth ordinary meeting of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company was held on this date, the Hon. Mr. J. Bell-Irving being in the chair. The Chairman stated that the losses on the 1887 policies had been unusually heavy, amounting to \$158,754. The losses paid up to the end of 1888 amounted to \$10,436, to which had to be added claims in course of settlement amounting to \$48,000. The decrease of fires on native risks as matter for congratulation.

## Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

February 25.—The half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. is reported in the issue of this date. The Chairman (the Hon. Mr. J. Bell-Irving), in the course of his speech, stated that after deducting sundry charges the profit was \$85,056.75, sufficient for a dividend of 5 per cent. for the half-year, but from this sum had to be deducted the large amount of \$34,939.54 for interest, the payment of which was a heavy tax on their earnings. The wisest course to pursue, in the interests of shareholders, was to continue to write down their overdraft until it was brought within reasonable compass. He added that the returns for January were very satisfactory showing a net profit of over \$33,300.

## "Iolanthe."

February 25.—"The Hongkong Choral Society reproduced Iolanthe at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night before a crowded house. Miss Hazeld appeared in the title role in place of Miss Sangster and Mesdames Lightwood and Danzon as the leading fairies. The representation passed off most successfully."

## Masonic Ball.

February 27.—In the issue of this date is a lengthy report of the Masonic Ball given the previous night in the City Hall. Eleven hundred invitations were sent out, and it is recorded that there was scarcely an absentee. The principal guests were: His Excellency the Governor and Lady Des Vaux, Vice Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon, Lady Salmon and Miss Salmon. In the scheme of decorations, we read, "everything was Masonic, even to the gas-shades." It was evidently a most enjoyable affair. One comment worth reproducing:—"The night was very close and flushed faces were the fashion, but ice and cool Moselle modified this drawback."

## KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

A Night Express Service Arranged.

We understand that it has been decided to run night express trains between Canton and Kowloon and vice versa, commencing from March 16. As a result of this, Canton residents will be able to come down to Hongkong by the afternoon train arrive here just in time for dinner, attend any special theatrical performances, concerts or other night engagements and return by a train which will leave Kowloon about half an hour after midnight.

Traffic on the line is rapidly increasing, and we learn that three more main line locomotives have been ordered from Home for the British section.

## 1889.

## SHARE REPORT.

The quotations which follow are from the "Hongkong Telegraph" for February 28, 1889.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—171 per cent, premium, sellers.  
Union Insurance Society of Canton.—\$115 per share, sellers.  
China Traders' Insurance Company.—\$81 per share, sellers.  
North China Insurance.—£1s. 2d. 90 per share, buyers.  
Canton Insurance Company, Ltd.—\$115 per share, sellers.  
Yangtze Insurance Association.—£1s. 10d. per share.  
Chinese Insurance Company.—\$160 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.—\$380 per share, buyers.  
China Fire Insurance Company.—\$85 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.—31 per cent, premium, sellers.  
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China and Manila Steamship Company.—\$175 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Gas Company.—\$135 per share, sellers.  
Hongkong Hotel Company.—\$170 per share, sellers.  
Indo-China S.N. Company.—par, sellers.  
Douglas Steamship Company.—\$72 per share, buyers.  
China Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$201 per share ex div sellers.  
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Ltd.—\$96 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Ice Company.—\$97 per share, buyers.  
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.—\$150 per share, nominal.  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company.—89 per cent, premium, buyers.  
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.—12 1/2 per share sellers.

## Kowloon Flower Show.

February 27.—"A flower show will be held at Kowloon on the 14th proximo. The promoters are going the right way to make the affair a success, as free lunches will be run, admission will be free, drinks gratis, and till for nothing. A crowded attendance is therefore expected. Two silver cups will probably be offered, one for table decorations and one for cut flowers. Entries are limited to Kowloon growers."

## Dealings with Royalty.

An Edinburgh jeweller, who has become insolvent, refused to give his creditors information as to extensive dealings, which he carried on with the Royal Family. The debtor gave as an excuse that, during the 14 years in which he had been selling jewels to Royalty, he had been repeatedly warned against making these transactions public. At last the debtor privately disclosed the particulars of his business.

## POST OFFICE VAGARIES.

"No Stamps Now to be Sold."

There appear on all postal orders the following words:—"Postage stamps not exceeding three in number, or 5-1 in total value, may be affixed in this space, but not elsewhere, to make up a broken amount (excluding an odd halfpenny)." So far as Hongkong is concerned these words might as well be removed. They do not apply in the Hongkong Post Office, which, apparently is a law unto itself. But it is not always the same law. It says one thing to-day and another to-morrow. In our issue of February 18 we related certain experiences affecting the purchase of postal orders for broken amounts. We managed, on those occasions, after some trouble in getting what we wanted. Now comes the sequel. We sent to the Post Office for a postal order for 8s. 8d. and, as we expected, a reply came to the effect that an order for such an amount could not be supplied. We replied on a bit thus: "Postal order for 8s. 6d. and a 2d. stamp." And someone whose initials appear to be T. A. J. A. wrote across it in return "No stamps now to be sold." So one has now either to waste fourpence for no reason in the world, or the man who received the order has to go short of twopence. The Hongkong Post Office says no stamps are now to be sold. What does it propose to do with them?

## FIRE IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

Damage Estimated at Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars.

Last night at about 9.30 o'clock a fire broke out on the first floor of 293, Queen's Road East. The premises comprise a four-storied building and is occupied by the Lai Cheung Firm, dealers in foreign goods. The outbreak is supposed to have originated through a foki having occasion to search under a bed with a lighted paper torch for something, with the result that he set fire to the bed clothing.

The Fire Brigade was early on the spot, and after working for about an hour and a half succeeded in confining the flames to the building. As it was, the first floor suffered considerable damage, while the second and top floor were partly burnt out.

The damage to stock, furniture and fittings is estimated at \$25,000 and there is an insurance with a Chinese fire and marine insurance Company, to the extent of \$20,000.

## THE "TELEGRAPH'S" AGROSTIC.

For Sunday's Leisure.

## PILLARS.

Principally must rest content With a Sunday—First in Lent.

## BARS.

1.—The "bravest of the brave" by ending here  
Would make a knight whose end was brave appear  
2.—Half brother to the world  
"With something good and bad of every land."

3.—"Twere ill to put a lid on this:  
The light would all its value miss.

4.—Native here might make a case  
and well be named a subject race.

5.—"Tis Lent and Isis claims denials  
Whilst youngsters make their sluggish trials.  
[Answer on Monday.]

## European's Death at Penang.

The death occurred in the General Hospital, Penang, on the 17th inst., of Mr. Arthur Warner, accountant, of Messrs. Brown, Phillips and Stewart. Deceased, who was only 21 years of age, arrived there in September. He was an old Dulwich schoolboy, and was an enthusiastic Volunteer in the Maxim section. He had to go into hospital suffering from kidney trouble brought about as a result of an exhausting cycle ride round the island and the drinking of pils of cold water.



## STANDARD OIL DEAL.

## The Agreement Still Secret.

Under date of the 20th. inst. the Peking correspondent of the N. C. Daily News writes as follows:—

The arrangement recently concluded between the Standard Oil Co. of New York and the Chinese Government has created much interest in Peking. A good deal of what appears to be unnecessary secrecy is being maintained about the terms of the contract, with the result that the idea has become prevalent that there is something to conceal. Not having seen the agreement I am not able to state positively what it contains, but as regards the following points my information has been obtained from a thoroughly reliable source.

## The Chinese Share.

One rather characteristic symptom of Chinese sensitiveness on the point of the disposal of their natural resources, is the fact that several Legations were verbally informed by officials that the company to be formed for the exploitation of the concession would be half Chinese and half American. China was to be given 37 1/2 per cent. of the stock, would have the right to take up another 7 1/2 per cent., whilst another 5 per cent. would be open to be subscribed for by the Chinese public, an arrangement by which the Chinese could hold 50 per cent. of the stock. I am positively assured, however, that the Standard Oil Co. never contemplated sharing the control and that no portion of the stock will be open to subscription by Chinese. The company intends to retain complete control by holding 55 per cent. of the stock, making a present of 37 1/2 per cent. to China, and giving her the option for two years to take up another 7 1/2 per cent. making her total holding 45 per cent.

Another point about which an erroneous impression is current is that the capital of the company to be formed is to be \$100,000,000. The contract contains nothing to that effect I am told, nor has the amount of the capital yet been settled. Apparently no decision on the point will be reached until further examination of the fields has taken place. When it has been decided how much money will be required to develop the concessions, the company will be constituted, and calls will be made upon the shareholders from time to time as money is required to prosecute the work.

## Immediate Work in View.

The view has been expressed that the Standard Oil Co. has acquired the oil right in Shensi and Chihli merely with the object of preventing them falling into other hands and that it has no intention of working for the present.

That, it appears, is contradicted by the general terms of the contract which contains many stipulations relating to the mining, refining and transport of the oil. Moreover, the Standard Oil Co. has been prospecting the oil regions involved for the past three years and has already spent considerable sums, which it is stated, the Company has the full intention of recovering by getting to work with the least possible delay. The best earnest of its intentions in this respect is that immediately on the signature of the agreement, the fact was cabled to America, with the result that a force of engineers and drillers has already started for China. Moreover, I am given to understand, the Standard Oil Co., in view of the remarkable increase in the consumption of oil fuel all over the world, is greatly in need of a further source of supply and intends to work the China fields for all they are worth.

## A good Stroke for China.

The arrangement from the Chinese point of view appears to be satisfactory. Thirty-seven and a half per cent. of the capital value of the fields is theirs without any expenditure on their part, and whatever profit results from the exploitation they will get their proportionate share. If they like to find 7 1/2 per cent. of the capital, they can participate in addition

## BIG SUM CLAIMED.

## Case Affecting nearly \$200,000.

Down for hearing in the Supreme Court on Monday, is the case in which the Great Western Smelting and Refining Company claim from Francisco Pereira Liriquos, under an alleged guarantee in writing dated October 2, 1912, and made between Arndt and Co. of the first part, the plaintiff of the second part, and the defendant of the third part, whereby the defendant guaranteed the payment by the said Arndt and Company to the plaintiff of the sum of \$200,000 under terms of the contract referred to in the guarantee—the sum of \$198,533.59, balance due of \$200,000 after deducting certain sums credited to the said Arndt and Company under the said contract.

The obligation is denied.

to that extent. If the exploitation turns out successful, the Standard Oil Co. of course will make large profits.

But it must not be forgotten that immense expenditure must first be incurred and that there is always the risk of failure. The Chinese, on the other hand, stand to lose nothing, while their possible gains are far in excess of those of the Americans.

Far more important than the dividends which would reach the Government, are the benefits that the people of the country will obtain by the development of the oil fields. In the beginning there is the transport of materials, later the construction of pipelines and light railways, and finally the regular employment of large numbers of workmen. Oil, moreover, mined at home should be cheaper than oil from abroad, while the home article, mined in the interior, will become available where prohibitive transport charges make it impossible at present. The economic effect of two really going oil fields, in fact, will be enormous and, ought greatly to increase the general prosperity of the country.

## A Blow to Japan.

Whether it is fortunate for the world in general that a corporation, with the traditions of the Standard Oil Co. should obtain control of another of what may prove to be one of the great oil-producing regions of the earth, is another matter. The Americans at least deserve their success for they have worked for it steadily and consistently.

The Japanese are deeply chagrined to find themselves defeated. A large Japanese firm has also been engaged in prospecting the same fields, and had actually made an offer to the Chinese Government. Apparently while this was under consideration the Americans concluded the business under their noses. It has been stated here that the Japanese intended to protect the Chinese Government, but I am officially informed that there is no such intention, for the good reason that there is no ground for a protest. But we may be sure that the Japanese will not overlook the matter and that on the next occasion that China has to bargain with Japan the latter will be found extra hard to deal with. The expediency, on the part of China, of giving her plots to parties who are practically unable to assist her in her struggle for existence, to the exclusion of parties who are able to damage her, is decidedly open to discussion.

## What Will Shensi Say?

One further observation in regard to these oil concessions is prompted by the experience of the Peking Syndicate, the Yunnan syndicate and others who have endeavoured to exploit concessions in the provinces obtained from the Central Government. The provincial authorities of Shensi have spent money in examining their oil fields and oil is now being mined there and refined by local Chinese enterprise. It will be interesting to know what arrangements are to be made to buy out local interests, and how Shensi province will like the alienation of its resources merely for the enrichment of the Central Government.

## TERRIBLE LOVE CRIME

## Report of the Shanghai Tragedy.

The China Press of Tuesday last gives the following account of the shooting, at Shanghai, of a girl by her former sweetheart. The affair was reported in our special cables of that day. Our contemporary says:—

Grim tragedy stalked among the Portuguese Carnival revellers last night and to-day Marmetio Gomes, a jilted lover, lies in the Mortuary with his brains blown out, whilst his sweetheart, Miss Celeste Goularte, is in the Shanghai General Hospital, wounded with three rifle bullets and is not expected to recover. The dead man was a member of the Portuguese Volunteer Company, S.V.C., and an employee of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, as a clerk. The young woman's home is in North Szechuen Road Extension.

A year ago Gomes, who lived in an adjoining house on North Szechuen Road Extension, became engaged to Miss Goularte. From the very first, according to those who know the couple, he showed his unwillingness to have his fiancée pay attention to anyone but himself. At different times his jealousy asserted itself in disagreeable fashion and friends of Miss Goularte declare that he was entirely unreasonable in his demands upon her. Miss Goularte is a young, unassuming and quiet girl, who acquiesced in the desires of her lover.

## Life Too Miserable.

Finally, however, about two weeks ago, she made up her mind that her life would be altogether miserable with such a man, she told him that she had resolved to break off the engagement. Since that time Gomes has been hanging about and trying to get Miss Goularte to change her mind.

Last night, Miss Goularte was preparing herself in masquerade costume for the merry-making of the Portuguese Carnival. Gomes, who had worked till 7.15 at the Bank, went home and got the rifle that he uses as member of the Volunteers. As Mrs. Goularte came through the alleyway off the thoroughfare on which her house is situated, she noticed Gomes with the weapon and jokingly said to him as he walked toward her: "What are you doing with that gun? Are you going to shoot me?" Gomes laughed back some reply, which she did not catch and she turned, went in and on up-stairs.

She had not got to the top of the stairs, however, when she heard shots fired in a room, which is on the first floor. Gomes, it seems, had followed her and turned into the room where Miss Celeste was putting on her Carnival costume.

According to Miss Goularte's story, told afterward to a friend as she was being taken to the hospital, Gomes opened the door, came in and asked her if she would accept him. Upon there being no answer, he began firing quickly from the magazine.

## Kept Round for Himself.

Five shots were fired at the poor girl. Three of them took effect, and she sank down bleeding from bullet wounds in the side of the leg and her breast. After the fifth, and with only one more found in the magazine, the mad-demon man turned the rifle upon himself, and placing the muzzle under his chin blew his brains out, the bullet going through his head and striking the ceiling.

A person upstairs heard the shooting and rushed down. Others were soon present and the police were called. A Sikh policeman was the first to enter the room where he found Gomes lying near the doorway, and Miss Goularte, groaning on the floor in another part of the room. The hospital ambulance was summoned and the wounded girl taken to the General Hospital, still wearing her Carnival costume, now dyed with blood.

It is said that her wounds will probably prove mortal. Her mother, who was employed as dressing-room mistress at the Lyceum Theatre, was in a state of collapse last evening, and had to be taken to the home of some friends near by. Mr. Goularte, an elderly man, who has been ill

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

## FISH.

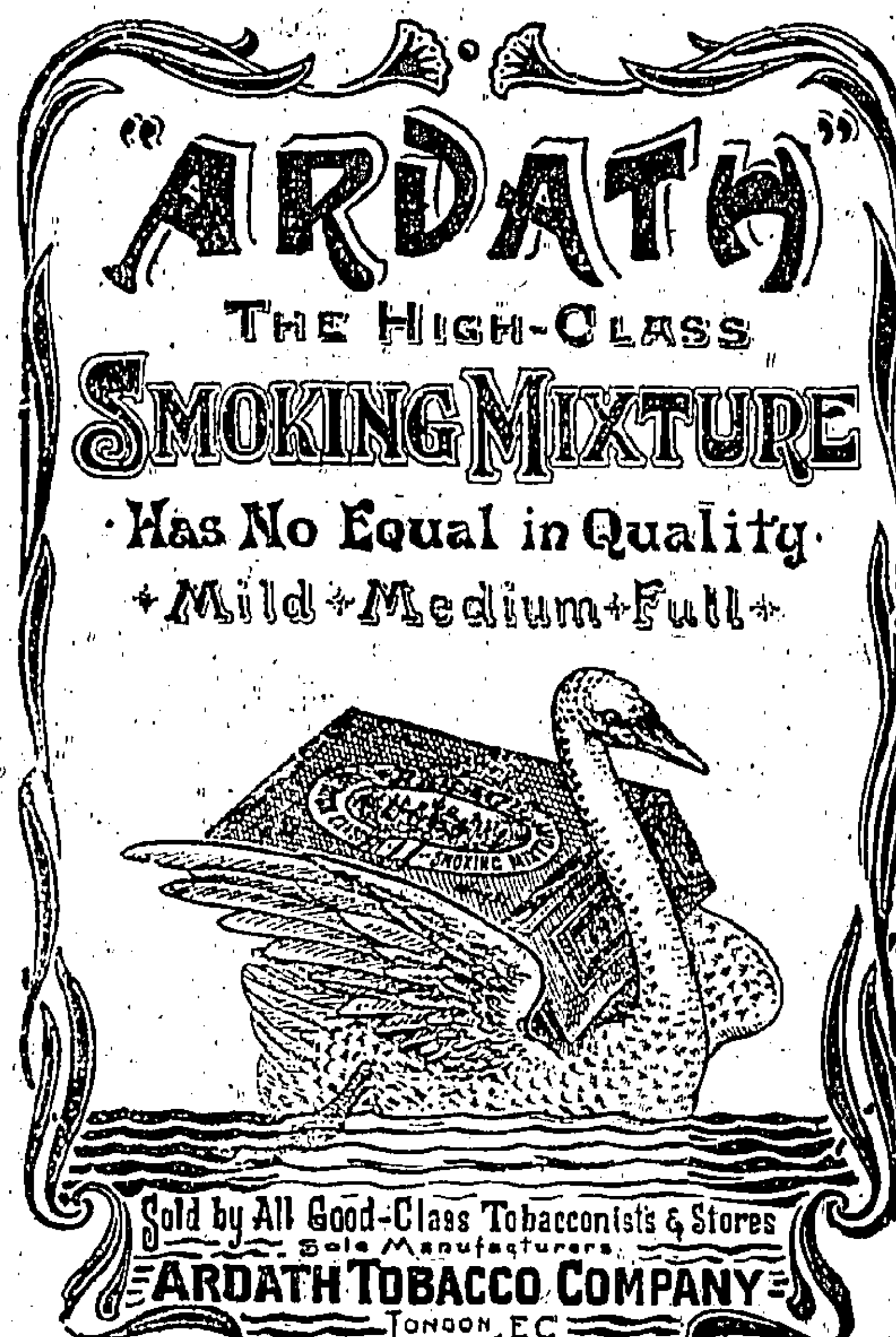
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The s.s. KHIVA left Singapore for this Port on the 28th inst. at 8 a.m. and is due here on the 5th March, at about noon.  
The Nauyo Yusen Kuni s.s. DAURI MARU left Sourabaya on the 27th inst. and is due to arrive here on the 8th Mar.

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## New Dock.

A pleasant ceremony took place at Alexandra Dock, Bombay, on January 29, when, in the presence of the Port Trustees and a few commercial men, Mrs. Sprott, wife of the chairman of the Port Trust, moved the hydraulic lever operating the sluices, and water flowed through. It will take about a week to fill the dock. There is the assurance that everything will be ready for the opening by the Viceroy on March 20.

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## Japanese Visitors.

Japanese Government officials have been among recent visitors to the Manchester Ship Canal and Docks, including Captain K. Yazawa, who is connected with the Communication Department. Another visitor shortly expected is Mr. Y. Tomita, civil engineer to the Japanese State Railways, and the docks are also to be inspected by Mr. R. Kameyama, Superintendent General of Police to the Formosan Government.

## Titanic Claims.

Claims aggregating £13,000,000, that is about £2,600,000, are awaiting the decision of the United States Supreme Court as a result of the Titanic disaster. The Oceanic Steam Navigation Company, which owned the vessel, is seeking to induce the Court to decide that the American Admiralty laws are applicable to the case, thereby limiting the Company's liability to the cost of salvage from the wreck and reducing the amount of claims to 90,000 dollars (about £18,000). The relatives of the passengers who lost their lives in the disaster are claiming full damages, according to what is declared to be the British practice, the contention being that American Admiralty laws do not apply on the high seas.

Services by the Panama Route. A new undertaking, entitled "South Atlantic and Orient Line," has (says "Fairplay") been organized at New York with the object of establishing a regular monthly steamship service between the Southern States of North America and ports of China and Japan, via the Panama Canal.

The concern is to be a combination of the India Line and Castle Line, of Liverpool, the firm of Watts and Co., of London, the Barber Line, and the firm of Funch, Edge and Co., of New York, the last-named firm having the management. The American ports of departure are to be New Orleans, Savannah, Port Tampa, Galveston, Pensacola, Mobile, and others. The plan includes the establishment later on of an express service from New Orleans via the Panama Canal to Yokohama.

Funnels Like Tunnels. Another important stage towards the completion of the construction of the mammoth new Cunarder, Aquitania, Britain's largest liner, has been reached by the placing in position, the last of the four huge funnels. Extensive preparations had to be made for hoisting the funnel and lowering it into position. Several hundred men were employed in the operations, including a large body of engineers and riveters, waiting on the ship to secure the massive structure. It was lifted by the 150-ton crane, and to obtain the proper adjustment all the gangways had to be taken away. The width of the funnel fore and aft is 24ft., or as large as a railway tunnel. The top is over 161ft. above the keel, or to make another comparison, it would extend over 20ft. above the Nelson column in Trafalgar Square. Each funnel, with its section of up-takes



# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1914.

## SHORT STORY.

### A FLIER IN LONGEVITY

BY WALLACE IRWIN

[Below we give the first instalment of a "booster story" by Mr. Wallace Irwin, contributed to McClure's Magazine. The author is the creator of Hashimura Togo, the Japanese schoolboy, and in this story he tells of the marvellous exploits and adventures in "boosting" of a real young American—Brian Boru.]

When the "nine-fifteen" steamed in from Los Angeles, every real estate dealer in San Bruno, proud city of corner lots, stood agog, a-tiptoe, his mind centred on the Santa Fe station, which sheltered the arrival of Mr. Cyprus Hallows, mildly shepherding Hallows' Hundred Health Pilgrims. For Mr. Hallows was there to buy land, and San Bruno had it to sell in every quantity from a clod to a continent. Consequently the sellers of the soil vied with the hotel runners in their attentions to the eccentric stranger. They were all there—did I say? Nay; there was one, Brian Boru Blaney by name, who languished in a hall bedroom of the cheapest boarding-house in town, lolled among the pillows and smoked cigarettes. Cigarettes were his habit, but lolling was not; yet his languors of this morning were forgivable, since he was out of a job and considering the future.

Unattended, then, by Blaney or his thoughts, Mr. Cyprus Hallows, owlish, Pickwickian, moderately wealthy leader of health cranks, marshalled his bedraggled bandied up from the depot to the hotel. As he advanced through town he beheld the wonders of booming San Bruno, which, trading cunningly on her annual drop of tourists, had increased in three years from a buxom village to an infant metropolis. On the strength of immoderate boasts for her temperate climate, she could now boast her seventy-five thousand inhabitants; in fact, she did boast that number and a little bit more around the new-antique Italian bar of the Grand Hotel. Main Street was no longer a lane—it was just the other end of Broadway extending across America. Big business was beginning to sprout out of weedy corners. The honey-breeze of California smelt of asphalt, and the twelve-story skyscraper of the Insoluble Trust Company loomed right next to the back yard where Mrs. Mary O'key's red hen scratched the roots of a real-estate sign. So Paradise must have looked when municipal improvement set in.

The shoddy establishment where Brian Boru Blaney roomed was called the Majestic, and it afforded Brian a sleeping compartment too small for an extra bureau, but large enough for his expanding thoughts. We may behold him now, pyjama-clad, sitting on the edge of his golden oak bedstead. Red-headed, pathetically Irish of eye, youth seemed to proclaim in him the incurable optimist. And he had good use for his optimism this morning, for, being out of work, he had everything to expect. His temperamental passion for his home town had earned for him the local title of the "Little Booster," in distinction to the "Big Booster," who was Mr. Charles W. Ketchum, of Ketchum and Sellers, real estate. Brian had, in fact, been the valued employee of the above-mentioned firm up to last night, when Ketchum had called the young man into the inner shrine and said: "My boy, that Baulah Addition scheme of yours is a stroke of genius. We stand to lose a

hundred thousand by it. You're fired."

A the auburn youth dangled bare toes and reviewed in his mind the details of this ultimatum. Mrs. Meecham, the landlady, coughed menacingly outside the door and slid two envelopes through the crack. One Brian recognized as a statement of board three weeks in arrears. The other, of a more prosperous stationery, he opened hastily, and uttered a whistle of reviving hope as he read:

Dear Sir:

Chas. W. Ketchum, tells me you are the biggest fool in or out of the real-estate business. I am preparing to launch a deal requiring the talents of such an one. Can you meet me at the Grand Hotel bar at ten o'clock?

Yours truly,

Warner E. Hissup.  
"State Senator Hissup," thought Brian Boru Blaney, with a sanguine flush, as he read and re-read the mysterious note.

"Gee! It's lucky I'm open to propositions this morning!" Hope flamed rosier than his hair as he proceeded with his dressing, a process which, with Brian, included the adjusting of much gaudy raiment. First he rolled back his mattress and removed therefrom a pair of yellow-brown trousers pressed by slumber's simple process to a fine edge. A pleated coat of the type known to the fifteen-dollar trade as "Norfolk" swung from the back of a chair. His shirt was pink, his tie was green, his mercerized socks were a combination of both colours.

"Senator Hissup can offer lots of things," he repeated to himself, as he buttoned on his knickerbockers and strode forth to adventure.

On the way to the Grand Hotel, he paused and smiled at a squad of Hallows' Health Pilgrims passed, moving two by two with the air of elderly boarding-school children. He recognized several real-estate men surrounding Mr. Hallows, gesturing eloquently and using the word "climate" with passionate frequency.

"That old guy needs special treatment," he reflected, "and those simps ain't got glass-enough to give it."

Leaning against the mahogany of the Grand Hotel bar Brian observed State Senator Hissup, champion of oppressed corporations, a flat-faced person with the profile of a toy spaniel.

"Good morning, Mr. Blaney," said the statesman, extending a flabby paw.

"Blaney," corrected the Little Booster. "The 'r' is silent, as in bean."

"Hum!" growled the doggish State Senator. "My car's outside. We'll go look at the tract. Maybe you don't want to handle such a fool proposition."

"I'm the softest of my family," chirped Brian Boru. "My brain's a watery waste, and every drop of it at your service. What's your proposition?"

They mounted a white touring-car outside and went rolling westward.

"As one D. F. to another," explained Hissup, "I say it confidentially—I need the money. The only tract I can sell is not sellable. Does that look bright to you?"

"Where is your El Dorado?" asked Brian cheerfully.

"Ever heard of Slaughter-house Gulch?"

"Holy alkali!" whistled the young man. "Now I understand why Ketchum recommended me! Slaughter-house Gulch is Hope's jumping-off place. It's the rattlesnakes' Waterloo."

"And mine," supplied the State Senator sadly. "Ten years ago politics gave me a chance to buy the tract at fifty cents per acre. I was crazy enough to think it a bargain. Even the slaughter-houses moved away from the blighted spot. Taxes and gophers grow there in luxuriance—nothing else. Last year I tried to give it back to the city as a site for a poor farm."

"The poor saw you first," said Brian. "Nice bit of land! The slaughter-house ehms it, the poor pass it up—gilt-edge—what? However, many things have been done in my line of business."

The car stopped at a depressing formation among the hills. Out of the limitless tangle of greasewood, innumerable real-estate signs reared like headstones in some giant's graveyard. Trolley-poles showed dimly up the east.

They ploughed their way through the greasewood to a slight bump on the landscape.

"The ocean's there," said Hissup, pointing to a tiny distant speck of blue.

Brian sat himself on the stump of a decayed sign. Half a mile to the south his eyes beheld a spot of green, a face-included grove of trees and bushes surrounding a weather-beaten bungalow.

"Who lives there?" he asked, his eyes hazy with unborn visions.

"Uncle Steve Pottle—lived there for years. He and the gophers have completely queered the district."

Brian Boru Blaney chewed a strip of honey sage and concentrated. Uncle Steve Pottle was the oldest man in the world—all San Bruno knew that for a fact. He claimed a hundred and seven years to his credit, and could show abundant proof of his extreme age; for every morning he stood at the corner of D and Main streets, exhibiting an antiquated license stating that Steven E. Pottle, aged twenty-nine, was married in Trenton, New Jersey, seventy-eight years ago.

"Whoop! I got the straw!" cried Brian, suddenly leaping to his feet.

"Straw?" inquired the puzzled statesman.

"You bet! Every good booster's like an orange phosphate—it needs a straw to draw it up through and make it taste natural. And I've got the straw that's going to make 'em thirst for this deal!"

"Straw?" repeated Hissup.

"Wait a minute. In the first place, this tract's going to be called Healthy-View-by-the-Sea. True, there's only a quart of ocean in sight, but every drop of romance counts in the real-estate business. What's that lane down there?" he asked, pointing to a rutty thoroughfare which led, apparently, nowhere.

"That's the old slaughter-house road," said the Senator.

"Hire a hundred 'n' fifty dollars' worth of Dagoes to smooth off the surface. Re-name it 'Aesculapius Drive'—see?"

"But how about the—"

"Oh, forget the straw for a minute. You've lived in San Bruno long enough, I guess, to know that most of the land around these parts is bought by tourists from the East—health fags past middle age, who think they can dodge the dread Reaper by nestling close to the soil and pulling the climate over 'em. I guess you know, too, that Cyprus Hallows, the Grand High Totem of the Healthomaniacs, is here with a roll o' bills like a China loan, cryin' like a baby to spend it on a strip o' land that nobody else wants? Health! Gee—what a prospectus I could write on this place!" An ecstatic flush overspread his freckles as he pulled out his pink cuffs and quoted from the Prospectus Beautiful:

"Fanned by old Pacific's life-giving breezes, mayhap the tired business man may pause awhile and linger—"

"But," interrupted State Senator Hissup, "you mentioned a certain idea you had to make the scheme draw—a straw, I think you called it?"

"That straw'll be Uncle Steve Pottle, the oldest man in the world," answered the incurable optimist.

When Brian Boru approached Uncle Steve Pottle next morning, the latter had just made his regular daily appearance at the corner of D and Main streets; the observed of tourists. He stood straight as a string, and his cascade of snowy beard and hair gave to his withered face the appearance of a frost-bitten apple neatly packed in cotton.

"How long have you lived in Slaughter-house Gulch?" shouted Brian, standing close to the dotard's good ear.

"Oh, totable totable!" replied the oldest of men.

"How long's that—ever since the Revolutionary War?"

"Come there two year before Rex Olcott shot Bill Fry."

"About seventeen years ago," computed the Booster, recalling the celebrated unpleasantness.

He again funnelled his hands and shouted: "Uncle, it seems to me you've reflected a lot of glory on this burg without getting much out of it. Think how you've advertised the climate! You ought to have a monument, or something."

"Oh, shucks!" sniffled old Pottle magnificently, with the air of Caesar refusing golden crowns.

"How'd you like a public testimonial lunch in honour of your hundred and seventh birthday?" Brian proposed suddenly.

"Huckas-pocus! My birthday was last March."

"That doesn't hinder our giving you a birthday lunch now, does it?"

"It don't exackly hinder," agreed the old man judgmatically, as he dropped his ivory upper set of teeth a quarter of an inch.

"It don't exackly jibe," said Brian.

"You're getting on in years, Uncle. Maybe you're scared of the food," Brian sighed.

"Who says I'm gittin' too old to enjoy my vittles?" The patriarch threw out his chest like a withered bird. "There ain't a young whippersnapper in this generation kin walk further or eat more vittles 'n I kin!" Uncle Steve's black eyes snapped like electric shoebuttons.

"That settles it, then," said Brian cheerfully. "A week from Wednesday's going to be Old Folks' Day and you're to be the guest of honour. Presentation ceremonies, parade, lunch—"

"Brass band?" inquired the old man craftily.

"The best in town," Uncle Steve hesitated and Brian could observe a look of mischievous creeping over the withered face.

"Time's money," he squeaked. "I got lots o' things to tend to this week. Ther's taxes to pay on my house, 'n' all—"

"How much?" asked the Little Booster promptly.

"Fifty dollars wouldn't be too much," replied the graybeard, with equal spontaneity.

"That's a lot o' money, but I'll be good for it," said Brian magnanimously. "And now, look here. If I hire you, you've got to obey orders. Make yourself mysterious—see? Keep off the streets and don't show yourself anywhere until Old Folks' Day. D' y' get me, Uncle Steve?"

"Yep." Suddenly the old man craned his little turkey neck over his shoulder with a worried look.

"Got to promise one thing," he whispered. "Don't tell Betsy."

"Who's Betsy?"

"None o' yer business. But y' won't tell 'er will ye?"

"Certainly not, Archibald," agreed Brian readily. Uncle Steve Pottle gave the young man a withered claw, and walked away with the stiff dignity of a marionette.

Thanks to the able stage management of Brian Boru Blaney and the secret connivance of State Senator Hissup, Old Folks'

Day was epochal. The politician had lent a room on the third floor of the Insoluble Life Building to the purposes of the Booster; and it was from the window of this office that mysteriously labeled banners were let down from time to time during the week preceding. The first banner, many yards long and boldly lettered, flaunted the question:

WHO IS THE OLDEST MAN IN THE WORLD—AND WHY?

THE OLDEST MAN IN THE WORLD LIVES AT HEALTHY-VIEW.

THE OLDEST MAN—107 YEARS OLD—COMING AT 10 A. M. WEDNESDAY!

was the half-answer which soon appeared.

Prominent among the many spectators arrested by these flaunting promises was an owlish gentleman of Pickwickian mien who took notes in a red morocco book with the air of a gambler studying a pool-room chart.

Brian, watching the crowd from behind a closed screen, recognized in this earnest person Mr. Cyprus Hallows of the Hundred Health Pilgrims.

For a bribe of five dollars and a new bat, Brian was able to employ the services of Dr. Abe Mayer (retired from the active practice of patent medicines) to act as spokesman for the Old Folks and marshal a "committee" of twelve elderly tramps, shayed for the occasion and respectable by means of barg in straw hats.

It was the duty of this "committee" to ride in automobiles, wear badges, and wave placards announcing the glad but belated tidings of Uncle Steve's hundred and seventh natal day.

Two hours before the time set, Brian Boru, from his third-story window, beheld the crowd gathering, and realized what an unexpected importance his celebration was assuming. Drove of humanity fought for places around the gaudy cars now assembled in front of the Insoluble Life Building. Their vibrated with emotion; and when Stonewinder's Silver Cornet Band leaped into the melting strains of "Daring, I Am Growing Old," two labourers were arrested for starting a riot, so great was the heart-throb.

Gray, white, and bald heads predominated in the throng below. But the Little Booster's nerves most tingled with excitement when he noted the fact that Mr. Cyprus Hallows was there, close to the band, surrounded by his hundred molley pilgrims.

The pathos of "Daring's" increasing longevity was thoroughly exploited by Stonewinder's industrious trampeters. Meanwhile Brian slunk to a side street, cranked up Senator Hissup's white car, and met Uncle Steve Pottle, according to appointment.

Exactly at the hour of ten, to the merry winding of a horn, the big car, all broken out with red and yellow streamers, boiled into the Square and took its place at centre stage. Immediately there flaunted from the third-floor window a gigantic banner labelled:

THE OLDEST MAN IN THE WORLD IS HERE!

Mr. Cyprus Hallows, his owl eyes goggling, edged closer, his faithful hand held following suit.

Brian Boru Blaney arose in the tonneau and laid his hand upon his plumed chest. Beside him sat a small, upright figure wearing a white vest and a silk hat, many sizes too small for him.

"Neighbours," began the orator, a persuasive bellow, "we have the authority of such eminent bac-to-lo-gist as Dr. Woods McOutchinson that no man has ever lived to the age of a hundred years. Dr. McOutchinson is doubtless a smart man—but are we good folks of San Bruno going to believe such a statement?"

(Of course "No—No!" from several enthusiasts.) "Thanks, I am glad to know that my fellow countrymen are still able to think for themselves. For have we not

been eye-witnesses for a score of years to the maturity of this splendid specimen of old manhood, Colonel Steven E. Pottle?" (Cheers.) Brian, encouraged, now dragged in Professor Metchnikoff to prove that certain favoured strips of land grew old men, even as certain vineyards grow old wine. There was Serbia, for instance. (Brian was not quite sure it was Serbia, but it was worth taking a chance.)

"Serbia is blessed with longevity, but need we go so far to find the El Dorado of old age?" inquired the Little Booster, in conclusion. He looked straight at Hallows, who now stood within six feet of him. "No! No! I repeat. For we have right here, my friends, at our very door-step, a tract of land so favoured, I might say, by a generous heaven that it has enabled our distinguished townsman here to live to the ripe age of a hundred and seven!"

"What's the name of the place?" inquired the chief of the Health Pilgrims, in confidential tones.

"The name of that place is Healthy-View-by-the-Sea!" thundered Brian passionately.

Brian sat down, which was the cue for Dr. Abe Mayer, flanked by his twelve elderly tramps, to deliver to Uncle Steve a large gilded key, presumably unlocking the gates of the city. Dr. Abe spoke in the finest vein of the patent-medicine school of oratory. Meanwhile an automobile circled around the throng, tossing forth pamphlets of a decorative nature containing Brian's real-estate epic beginning, "Mayhap the tired business man—"

Uncle Steve spoke next. His remarks might have been more coherent had not his false teeth insisted on slipping down and interrupting his eloquence.

"Anyways, I'm a hundred 'n' even, an' if y' don't believe it," (pause to adjust teeth) "ask the folks back to Trenton, where I was born in—lemme see—eighteen—"

"Eighteen hundred and five!" prompted Brian, after lightning calculation.

"In 1855 I was born there," (Dental operation.) "An' if ye don't believe that, here's the marriage certifikat to prove it. My birthday was the fifteenth o' last March—"

"To-day!" prompted the Booster, pulling his coat-tails.

"Hey?" inquired Uncle, leaning down with a hand held wing-like behind his ear.

"Your birthday is to-day!" repeated Brian Boru.

"My birthday's to-day," went on Uncle, serenely addressing the crowd. "An' I never felt better in my life. I can walk farther 'n eat more vittles 'n any darn whippersnapper a-goin'."

Uncle Steve took his seat. Loud applause. Mike, the chauffeur, now began cranking up the car, and two small boys took their places in the van with a placard, "The Oldest Man in the World."

Before the procession proceeded, Brian announced to the throng that Uncle Steve, to prove his digestive prowess, would eat his birthday dinner in the window of the Saddle Rock Restaurant.

Cyprus Hallows jumped on the running-board of Brian's car just as it was pulling out.

"How does one get to this Healthy-View-by-the-Sea?" asked the stranger.

"To-morrow at three o'clock we give a testimonial pilgrimage and free bus ride to the home of this wonderful man. If you wish, we'll provide transportation for as many of your Pilgrims as you wish to bring."

"There are a hundred of us," said Hallows. "We'll try and make it."

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No Fifth Avenue wedding could have blushed more flagrantly in the public eye than did that noonday banquet at the Saddle Rock. A table for fifteen was set in the window to accommodate Dr. Abe's twelve qualified tramps, Dr. Abe himself, Brian Boru, and, on a central throne, Colonel Steven E. Pottle. A floral piece inscribed, "107—Greeting," hovered over.

Uncle Steve at first threatened to beguastromodisappointment. First came clams. The old man put on his spectacles and examined them.

"I don't eat no raw food!" he declared stubbornly.

Brian, secretly wringing his hands under the table-cloth, beheld the tamping bivalves carried away untouched. Uncle was displeased at everything. He turned up his nose at soup, jeered at sweetbreads, snubbed the salad, scorned peach Melba.

"I want vittles!" he demanded morosely.

"What do you call vittles?" hissed the Little Booster.

"Ham 'n' eggs," suggested the centenarian.

"Fry him a dozen—quick—before they mob the place!" commanded Brian of a waiter. The spectators in the window were beginning to see the humour of the situation.

During the pause Brian toasted the guest of honour in sparkling cider from gold-label bottles. As each bumper of this stage champagne was lightly tossed, the elderly chorus responded with applause. Uncle looked hungrily toward the kitchen. At last a huge platter of ham and eggs was set before him. And old Pottle ate—as never dotard ate before, as though his life and his knife depended upon the performance. He never raised his head until he had stripped the platter clean and wiped it carefully with a wedge of bread.

And the mob outside, like unto the ranks of Tuscany at sight of Horatio's Marathon swim, could scarce forbear a cheer.

"Ain't no young whippersnapper kin beat me!" chuckled Uncle Steve Pottle.

The luncheon closed officially with a final theatrical toast, the entire chorus rising. As a final, the window-curtain dropped, disclosing the placard, "A Hundred More Birthdays Just as Happy."

Before the crowd dispersed, Brian stepped to the door and announced his intention of tendering a testimonial pilgrimage to the home of Colonel Pottle on the morrow at three. Auto-bus rides would be free for all respectable persons over fifty years of age.

The Little Booster and the centenarian slipped quietly out through a back door. The old man was beginning to look sad.

"Better let me take you home in my auto," suggested the young man.

"Lead me to the trolley!" grunted Uncle Steve gloomily.

Brian put him on a west-bound car at the corner of Main and D streets.

"I could take you home just as well," he began.

"Y' can't force me to do nothin' I'm set ag'in," declared old Pottle, as he eased himself painfully into an outside seat.

"Be at home, ready for the big call, to-morrow at three!" Brian smiled.

"Um!" was Uncle's sole retort. The tram slid away down the track.

Early next morning Brian telephoned to Senator Hissup.

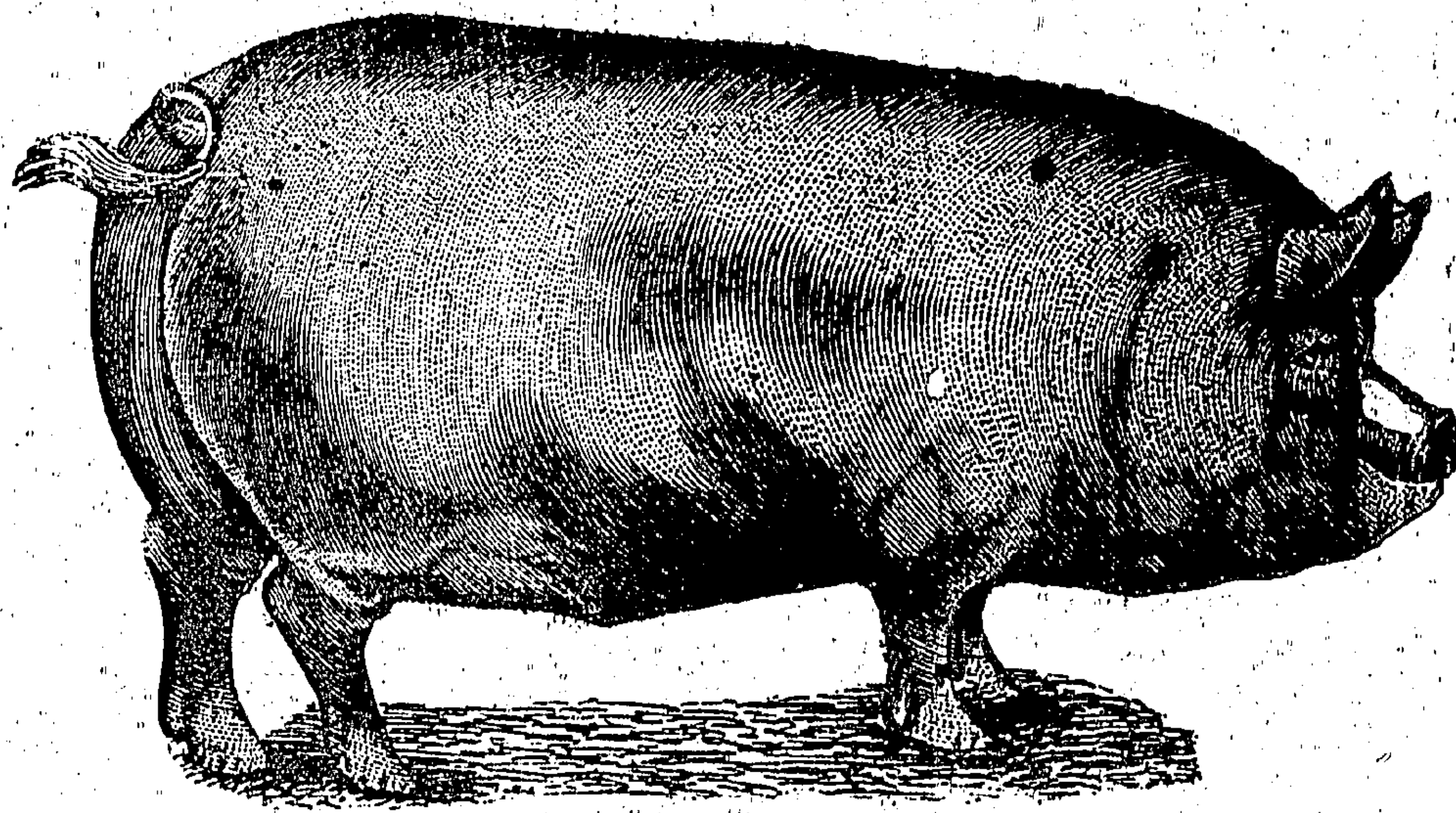
"Your Old Folks' Day looks to me like a fool proposition," said the statesman.

"Fool propositions are what you hired me for," replied the Little Booster. "I've got to have a hundred dollars extra for bus fare."

(To be Continued next Saturday.)



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Tsien via S'ow & C'oo Chipshing		Tues., 3rd Mar. at noon
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Wed., 4th Mar. at d'light
S'PORE, Pang & C'outta	Lalsang	Fri., 6th Mar. at 2 p.m.
YHAMA, Kobe & Moji	Yatsing	Sat., 7th Mar. at d'light
MANILA	Yuenang	Sat., 7th Mar. at 2 p.m.

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H'burg, L'don, R'dam & Antwerp	Glenfarg	S. T. Co.	3, Mar.
T'ite, Flume V'ce, via S'pore etc.	Vorwaerts	S. W. Co.	3, Mar.
N'lor, G'oa, A'rs, Liebon S'ton.	Derflinger	M. & Co.	3, Mar.
London & A'werp via S'pore etc.	Nore	P. & O.	4, Mar.
Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg	Sithonia	H. A. L.	6, Mar.
M'les, Havre, R'dam & Hamburg	Bermuda	H. A. L.	8, Mar.
London and Antwerp	Den of Airle	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
Marseilles, via Ports	Ners	M. M.	10, Mar.
Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, R'dam and Bremen/H'burg	Mark	N. D. L.	10, Mar.
M'les, L'don, A'werp, S'pore, etc.	Strano M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Havre, Emden and Hamburg	Spezia	H. A. L.	14, Mar.
Trieste, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, etc.	Africa	S. W. Co.	15, Mar.
Bremen, Hamburg & A'werp, Marseilles, R'dam & Hamburg	Senegambia	H. A. L.	17, Mar.
Havre, Emden and Hamburg	Sachsen	H. A. L.	23, Mar.
London and Hamburg	Scandia	H. A. L.	28, Mar.
Bremen	Gostingen	N. D. L.	28, Mar.
London via Plymouth	Glenlogan	S. T. Co.	31, Mar.
Havre, Emden and H'burg	Tuebingen	N. D. L.	E. of M.
Bremen	Aragonia	H. A. L.	3, Apr.
Dunkirk & Hamburg	Assyria	H. A. L.	4, Apr.
Havre, Emden & Hamburg	Lothringen	N. D. L.	M. of Apr.
Marseilles, Antwerp, R'dam	Thuringen	N. D. L.	B. of May
Bremen/Hamburg	Dumbea	M. M.	19, May.
Havre, Emden & H'burg/B'men	Gernis	N. D. L.	5, of May
Marseilles via Ports			
Havre, Dunkirk, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen			

## NEW YORK SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

San Francisco via S'hai & Japan & Co.	Siberia	P. M. Co.	3, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., & T'mavia S'hai & Co.	Panam & M.	O. S. K.	4, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	E. of Japan	C. P. R.	5, Mar.
San Francisco, via Shanghai, M'la.			
Japan and Honolulu	Chiyo M.	T. K. K.	7, Mar.
Victoria V'v'er S'tle T. & P.	Radnorshire	J. M. Co.	8, Mar.
Boston and New York	Indadeo	J. M. Co.	10, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle via			
Shanghai, & Co.	Sado M.	N. Y. K.	10, Mar.
San F'co via Manila & Japan & Co.	China	P. M. Co.	11, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., & T'mavia S'hai & Co.	Sue'mark	H. A. L.	18, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	E. of Russia	C. P. R.	19, Mar.
Victoria, B.C., T'm via Japan & Co.	Seattle M.	O. S. K.	21, Mar.
San Francisco and San Pedro	E. Dollar	R. D. Co.	31, Mar.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	E. of India	C. P. R.	2, Apr.
San Francisco via Shanghai, M'la.			
Japan and Honolulu	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	4, Apr.
Mexican, Peruvian and Chile			
Ports via Japan	Selyo M.	T. K. K.	4, Apr.
Victoria, Vancouver Seattle,	Den of	J. M. Co.	5, Apr.
Tacoma & Portland	Ruthven	C. P. R.	8, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai, Japan & Co.	Monteagle	H. A. L.	14, Apr.
Victoria, V'v'er, S'tle & P. (Or.)	Hoerde	C. P. R.	16, Apr.
Vancouver via S'hai and Japan	E. of Asia	M. 8. Dollar	28, Apr.
San Francisco and San Pedro	Glenloch	J. M. Co.	3, May.
Victoria, V'v'er, S'tle T. & P.			

## AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports via Manila	Kumano M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	St Albans	G. L. Co.	20, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	Coblenz	M. Co.	21, Mar.
Australia	Changsha	B. & S.	24, Mar.
Australian Ports via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	8, Apr.
SINGAPORE, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.			
Shanghai, Y'hama, Kobe & Moji	Yeddo	N. A. Co.	B. of Mar
Swatow and Shanghai	Shengking	B. & S.	1, Mar.
Bombay via S'pore & Colombo	Colombo M.	N. Y. K.	1, Mar.
Swatow	Haimun	D. L. Co.	1, Mar.
Sandakan	Hinsang	J. M. Co.	2, Mar.
Y'hama and Kobe via Shanghai	Austria	S. W.	3, Mar.
Kobe	Coblenz	M. & Co.	3, Mar.
Manila, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Zafro	S. T. Co.	3, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Assyria	H. A. L.	3, Mar.
Shanghai	Shaoching	J. M. Co.	3, Mar.
Shanghai	Loksang	J. M. Co.	3, Mar.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haishing	D. L. Co.	3, Mar.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Chinhua	B. & S.	3, Mar.
Manila, Mangarin, Cebu & Iloilo	Zafro	S. T. & Co.	3, Mar.
Tientsin via Swatow	Chipshing	J. M. Co.	3, Mar.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama	Tosa M.	N. Y. K.	3, Mar.
Shanghai	Namsang	S. W. Co.	4, Mar.
Anping, Takao via S'ow & Amoy	Roshu M.	O. S. K.	4, Mar.
Shanghai, Tientsin, Kobe & Y'hama	P. E. F'rich	M. Co.	5, Mar.
Tientsin	Kushow	B. & S.	5, Mar.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	5, Mar.
Singapore, Penang & Calcutta	Lalsang	J. M. Co.	5, Mar.
Tamsui via Swatow & Amoy	Dajin Maru	O. S. K.	5, Mar.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halton	D. L. Co.	6, Mar.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama	Khiva	P. & O.	6, Mar.
Yokohama, Moji and Kobe	Yatsing	J. M. Co.	7, Mar.
S'pore, Pang, R'gon & C'outta	Ceylon M.	N. Y. K.	7, Mar.
Manila	Yuenang	J. M. Co.	7, Mar.
Jesselton, Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. Co.	8, Mar.
Bombay via S'pore Port S'ham, Penang & Colombo	Luzon M.	O. S. K.	8, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'hama	hili	M. M.	9, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Amazon	M. M.	9, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Altantique	M. M.	10, Mar.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Kobe and Yokohama	Keshim M.	N. Y. K.	11, Mar.
Shanghai	Devanha	P. & O.	12, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Hoerde	H. A. L.	17, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Seidmark	H. A. L.	18, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Peking	A. N. Co.	21, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Brigavia	H. A. L.	27, Mar.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Uckermark	H. A. L.	25, Apr.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Sambha	H. A. L.	25, Apr.
Japan	Tj bodas	J. C. J. L.	Q. desp.

## MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

## VESSELS ADVERTISED TO DEPART TO-MORROW.

For	Vessels.
Port Bavid	Kwangchowwan
Bangkok	Gemini
Swatow	Haimun

## DEPART ON MONDAY.

Shanghai	Austria
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## VESSELS ADVERTISED TO ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

From	Vessels.
Singapore	Namsang

## ARRIVE ON MONDAY.

Shanghai	Derflinger
Singapore	Assyria

## CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. s.s. MONTEAGLE left Vancouver on the 18th instant.

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. s.s. EASTERN left Sydney on the 18th inst. for this Port (via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Timor, and Manila), and may be expected to arrive here on or about 14th March.

The I. G. M. s.s. CORLENZ left Yon on the 25th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 4th of March, p.m.

## AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. s.s. SIBERIA sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong on the 11th inst. via Manila.

The P. M. s.s. CHINA sailed from Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila, on the 23rd February. The United States mail has been transferred to the North German Lloyd's s.s. DERFLINGER which is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 2nd March.

The American and Manchurian Line s.s. KIOTO passed the Suez Canal on the 24th inst. for Hongkong direct.

## GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. FRIEDRICH carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin of the 1st instant, has left Colombo on the 24th inst. p.m. and may be expected here on or about the 5th of March.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KASHIMA MARU (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 31st January, and is expected here on the 11th March.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SADO MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port on the 17th January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. YOKOHAMA MARU (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 10th instant, and is expected here on the 11th March.

The s.s. GLENLOGAN passed the Suez Canal on the 27th ult., for Hongkong via Straits.

The s.s. SATSUMA (of the Barber Line) sailed from New York on 14th Jan. and is due to arrive here on or about 14th March.

The s.s. PATHAN (of the Mogu Line) sailed from U. K. on 25th January, and is due to arrive here on or about 5th March.

The Barber Line s.s. CHALISTER sailed from New York on the 4th instant, for Hongkong.

The Mogu Line s.s. LOTHIAN sailed from London on the 21st instant, for Hongkong via Straits and is due to arrive here about the 3rd April.

The Dodwell Line s.s. MUNCASTER CASTLE arrived at Boston on the 23rd instant.

The I. C. S. N. s.s. NAMSANG from Singapore is due at Hongkong on the 1st March.

## TIDE TABLE.

23rd Feb. to 1st Mar. 1914.

	High Water	Low Water
	Mean	Mean
Mon.	11 05	11 51
Tues.	10 55	11 41
Wed.	10 45	11 31
Thurs.	10 35	11 21
Fri.	10 25	11 11
Sat.	10 15	11 01
Sun.	10 05	10 51

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## TO-DAY'S SHARE REPORT.

## COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

STOCK.	To-day's Closing Price	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1913. Highest	1913. Lowest	1914. Highest	1914. Lowest	Last Dividend and Date
<b>Banks.</b>									
H'kong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	281 1/2	120,000	\$125	all	835	Jan.	790	Aug.	815
Marine Insurance.									
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.	123	10,000	\$210	50	349	Oct.	270	Jan.	323
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	139	10,000	\$15	0	137 1/2	Aug.	131	Jan.	139
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	345	12,400	\$150	100	845	April	784	Sept.	815
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	200	12,000	\$100	60	200	April	185	June	200
Fire Insurance.									
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	157 1/2	20,000	\$ 00	20	16 1/2	Dec.	146	May	157 1/2
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	395	8,000	\$250	50	385	Jan.	354	May	395
Shipping.									
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	34	30,000	\$25	all	11 1/2	June.	7 1/2	Oct.	9
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	34	20,000	\$50	all	42	May	30	Oct.	34
Hongkong, C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	28 1/2	80,000	\$15	all	29 1/4	Aug.	27	April	28 1/2
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	75	60,000	\$5	all	99	April	75	Aug.	77
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	101 1/2	2,500,000	\$1	all	118 1/2	April	98 1/2	Oct.	103 1/2
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	48 1/2	40,000	\$10	all	58	Oct.	32 1/2	Jan.	48 1/2
<b>Refineries.</b>									
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	95	20,000	\$100	all	112	Jan.	92 1/2	Aug.	96
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	30	7,000	\$100	all	40	Jan.	30	Dec.	31
<b>Mining.</b>									
Kailan Mining Adm'tion.	40 1/2	1,900,000	\$1	all	37 1/2	Dec.	30 1/2	July	41 1/2
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	3	200,000	\$1	all	4 1/4	Jan.	3	Aug.	3
Trench Mines Ltd.	33 1/2	160,000	\$1	all	86 1/2	Feb.	38 1/2	Dec.	35 1/2
<b>Docks, Wharves and Godowns &amp;c.</b>									
Hongkong & K.W. & C. Co., Ltd.	34 1/2	60,000	\$50	all	99	July	74	Mar.	84 1/2
H'kong & W'poo D. Co., Ltd.	74 1/2	50,000	\$50	all	90	June	56	Jan.	77
S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	59	55,700	\$100	all	72	Jan.	51	July	59
S'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	100	68,000	\$100	all	113 1/2	May	103	Jan.	104
<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings.</b>									
Anglo French Lands.	124	25,000	\$100	all	125	Aug.	112	Mar.	127
H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd. (Old)	120	12,000	\$50	25	125	Aug.	112	Mar.	127
H'kong Land Investment Co.	112	50,000	\$ 00	all	118	July	104	Jan.	112
H'phreys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	84 1/2	150,000	\$10	all	94 1/2	Sept.	8	Feb.	84 1/2
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	44 1/2	60,000	\$50	all	46	Aug.	33	Feb.	45 1/2
Shanghai Lands	123	78,000	\$50	all	74 1/2	June	54 1/2	Jan.	66
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	66	15,000	\$50	all	74 1/2	June	54 1/2	Jan.	66
Manila Hotel Co., Ltd.	123	15,000	\$10	all	74 1/2	June	54 1/2	Jan.	66
<b>Cotton Mills.</b>									
Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	136	20,000	\$10	all	148 1/2	Nov.	120	July	136
Hongkong Cotton Co.	13	135,000	\$10	all	104 1/2	April	7 1/2	Dec.	8 1/2
Kung Yik	13	76,000	\$10	all	15 1/2	Jan.	12 1/2	July	13
Lau Kung Mow	98	8,000	\$100	all	112	Jan.	93	Sept.	98
Shanghai Cottons	129	50,000	\$50	all	136	Mar.	104	Sept.	132
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>									
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	11	60,000	\$ 2	all	1 1/2	May	9	April	11
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	34 1/2	50,000	\$5	all	5	Nov.	2.80	Jan.	4 1/2
Do. (Spec. shares)	34 1/2	50,000	\$1	all	5	Nov.	2.80	Jan.	4 1/2
China Prov't. L. & M. Co., Ltd.	30 1/2	200,000	\$ 0	all	9 1/2	Feb.	8 1/2	May	9
Dairy Farm Company, Ltd.	30	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	29	Oct.	21 1/2	Jan.	30
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	61	400,000	\$ 0	all	7.80	Nov.	4.10	Jan.	6.60
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	144	9,000	\$ 0	all	49	Dec.	26	Jan.	45
Hongkong Ice Company, Ltd.	135	5,000	\$25	all	200	Jan.	150	Oct.	190
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	32 1/2	6,000	\$10	all	25 1/2	July	19	Jan.	23
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	8 1/2	325,000	\$ 5	all	9 1/2	Sept.	4 1/2	Jan.	8 1/2
Langkats	42 1/2	250,000	\$10	all	75	Jan.	19	Sept.	41 1/2
Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	10	25,000	\$ 0	all	11 1/2	April	9	Sept.	10 1/2
Do (New)	93 cts.	5,000	\$10	all	1.00	Jan.	93 cts.	June	93 cts.
Philippines	5	75,000	\$10	all	5	Nov.	5	Nov.	5
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	5	10	\$ 0	all	5	Nov.	5	Nov.	5
Societe des Pulpes et Papier-tories du Tonkin	30	13,200	\$50	all	20	Nov.	20	Nov.	20
Shanghai Sumatras	135	13,200	\$50	all	135	Nov.	135	Nov.	135
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	44 1/2	2,000	\$ 0	all	5.00	May	3.50	Oct.	4 1/2
Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	20	5,000	\$10	all	18 1/2	May	13 1/2	Feb.	20
A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd.	7 1/2	9,000	\$10	all	8 1/2	May	6 1/2	Jan.	9 1/2
William Powell, Limited.	38 1/2	5,000	\$ 7	all	11	July	9	Jan.	21
S. C. Morning Post	21	8,000	\$25	all	21	July	9	Jan.	21

WRIGHT & HORNBY,  
Share and General Brokers.

6, Des Voeux Road Central Tel. address. Recd. 11/14  
CORRECTED TO 12.30 P.M. FEB. 28, 1914.  
THE TELEGRAPH DOES NOT HOLD ITSELF RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Wright and Hornby's weekly share report, dated February 28, states:—  
There has been a considerable amount of activity in our market during the week particularly in Langkats which have steadily advanced.  
Bar Silver is 26.9-16 per oz. for ready and 26.7-16 per oz. for forward delivery market firm.  
Exchange in London opened to-day at 1/10.15.16 T.T.  
Para Rubber is quoted from London at 3/- per lb. and the market for shares quiet.  
Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have advanced to \$815 at which rate some shares have been placed and they close steady with buyers at \$815.00. London quotes 281 ex dividend.  
Marine Insurance.—Unions have strengthened to \$845 with buyers at the rate—Cantons remain unchanged since our last report with buyers at \$323.—North Chinas are enquired for at Tls 139 and Yangtzes at \$200 ex 73.  
Fire Insurance.—China Fires are quoted at \$157 1/2 but shares have changed hands at \$155. Hongkong Fires are easier at \$395 sales and sellers.  
Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been done at \$282 and \$29 and close with further sellers. Douglases can be obtained at \$34. Star Ferries are enquired for at \$48. Indo-Chinas have declined to \$75 sellers. Shell Transports are offering from London at 103 1/2, sales have taken place at 101 1/2.  
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been a weak market throughout the week closing with sellers at \$144. Kowloon Wharves have been placed at \$84 and close steady with buyers at \$83 1/2. Shanghai Docks are firmer with buyers at Tls. 58. Sales are reported in the North at Tls. 59. Hongkows are quoted Tls. 109 buyers.  
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are quiet at \$112. Humphreys Estates are offering at \$81. Kowloon Lands have buyers at \$44 ex the dividend of \$2.80 per share. West Point continues in demand at \$66. Hongkong Hotels are wanted at \$120 ex the dividend of \$7. Shanghai Lands are unchanged at Tls. 93.  
Refineries.—China Sugars have buyers at \$85. Lazons are offering at \$30.

Mining.—Tronah have sellers at 60.—Raub are steady at \$3 buyers. Langkats have been the medium of considerable business at various rates from Tls. 33 1/2 to Tls. 42 cash and equivalent rates forward, the market closing firm at Tls. 42/- buyers. Kailan are steady at 40/-.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons are easier at \$8 sellers. Ewos are quoted Tls 136 buyers. Shanghai Cottons Tls. 129 buyers. Lau Kung Mow Tls. 98 sellers and Kung Yik Tls. 13 sellers.

Miscellaneous.—There are buyers of China Borneos at \$11. Dairy Farms at \$30. Peak Farms (old) at \$10. South China Morning Post at \$20. Steam Laundries at \$44 and Low level Trams at \$70. There are sellers of China Providents at \$39. Green Island Cements at \$8.30. Electro-tries at \$44. Ices at \$185. Ropes at \$23. Union Waterboats at \$20. China Light and Powers at \$44 and A. S. Watsons at \$74.

Quotations received from London by cable to-day:—  
Banks 281 1/2 ex div  
Indos 7 1/2  
Shells 10 1/2 buyers  
Tronachs 36/- sellers  
Trams 8/0 middle price.

Consul's Award.  
The American Consul at Colombo, Mr. O.K. Moser, has been awarded 75,000 rupees damages in an action for defamation of character brought by him against Mr. Virginia Graham, an American visitor to Ceylon. The defendant was not present in court, and it is stated she is at present in America.

## Notices

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.  
(Capital Paid up...\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.  
Goods received on Storage.  
Advances made on Merchandise.  
Loans made on the Provident System.  
(Rates and Particulars on application.)

THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed. SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. General Managers. Hongkong, 19th March, 1908

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.  
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SATURDAYS.  
Races Cars at 12 midnight.  
SPECIAL CARS.  
By Arrangement at the Company's Office.  
At Home, Buildings.  
Des Voeux Road.

EUROPEAN AGENCY.  
WHOLESALE buying agencies undertaken for all British and Continental goods, including—  
Books and Stationery.  
Boots, Shoes and Leather.  
Chemicals and Druggists.  
Sundries.  
China Earthenware and Glass-ware.  
Cycles, Motor Cars and Accessories.  
Drapery, Millinery and Piece Goods.  
Fancy Goods and Perfumery.  
Hardware, Machinery and Metals.  
Jewellery, Plate and Watches.  
Photographic and Optical Goods.  
Provisions and Oilmen's Stores, etc., etc.

Commission 2 1/2% to 5%.  
Trade Discounts allowed.  
Special Quotations on Demand.  
Sample Cases from £10 upwards.  
Consignment of Produce held on Account.

WILLIAM WILSON & SONS  
(Established 1814).  
25, ABchurch Lane, London, E.C.4.  
Cable Address: "Annultra," London.

## Exchange

Selling.	1/10 15/16	T.T. Marks	193 1/2
T.T. Demand	1/11	T.T. France	241
30 d/s	1/11 1/16	On Haiphong	147 1/2
60 d/s	1/11 1/16	On Saigon	87 1/2
4 m/s	1/11 1/16	On Bangkok	80 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	1/11 1/16	Buying.	
T.T. Singapore	1/11 1/16	4 m/s. L/C	1/11 5/16
Private 30 d/s sight Shanghai	1/11 1/16	4 m/s. D/B	1/11 7/16
T.T. Japan	1/11 1/16	6 m/s. L/C	1/11 7/16
T.T. India	1/11 1/16	30 d/s. S'ney & Melbourne	1/11 7/16
T.T. Bombay	1/11 1/16	30 d/s. San Fco. & New York	47 1/2
Demand Bombay	1/11 1/16	4 m/s. Marks	200
T.T. Calcutta	1/11 1/16	4 m/s. France	245
Demand Calcutta	1/11 1/16	Bar Silver, ready	247
Demand India	1/11 1/16	forward	25 9/16
Demand Manila	1/11 1/16	Gold Leaf postal	26 7/16
T.T. San Fco. & New York	46 1/2	Bank of England rate	34.65
T.T. Java	115 1/2	Sovereign	10.40

Subsidiary Coins.		Opium Quotation	
Discount per \$100			Jan. 17.
Chinese...20 cts. pieces	\$12 15/16%	Malwa, New	\$5.800 per pic
Chinese...10	" 1/3	Malwa, Old	5.900
Hongkong, 20	" 5/8	Patna, New	6.575 per oha
Hongkong, 10	" 3/4	Patna, Old	6.440
	\$7 7/16	Benares, New	6.350
		Benares, Old	6.225

## Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: 60, Wall Street, New York.  
London Office: 55, Abchurch Lane, E.C.4.

BRANCHES:—  
Bombay, Calcutta, Canton, Cebu, Colon, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Capital and Surplus...\$100,000,000.  
RESERVE FUNDS:—  
Sterling...\$1,500,000 at 2/-  
Silver...\$17,650,000

Manager, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1913

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.  
Authorized Capital Yen 40,000,000.  
Paid-up Capital...30,000,000.  
Reserve Fund...18,550,000.

Head Office, YOKOHAMA.

Branches:—  
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Interest Allowed on Current Accounts.  
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

SHI ONO, Manager.  
Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. (18)

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.  
Paid-up Capital...£1,200,000.  
Reserve Fund...£1,700,000.  
Proprietors...£1,200,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. S. HEWITT, General Manager.  
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. (12)

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED.

Authorized Capital...£1,500,000.  
Subscribed...1,125,000.  
Paid Up...562,500.  
Reserved Fund...450,000.

BANKERS:—  
Bank of England.  
London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. L. LINTON, Manager.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE

Cannot be beaten, if Equalled.  
For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery, meals with Wines & Liqueurs.

Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911.

## Banks

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital...\$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:—  
Sterling...\$1,500,000 at 2/-  
Silver...\$17,650,000

Manager, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1913

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